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Stella 'Queen of Dorchester' takes throne for third time

DORCHESTER councillor Stella Jones has become the county town's mayor for the third time.

Mrs Jones was invested with the chain of office at a ceremony in the Corn Exchange on Monday evening (May 20th) watched by fellow councillors, friends and family.

And it was the grandchildren who were first up the stairs for hugs with their grandmother once the formal ceremony was over.

Husband, Trevor, also a three times mayor of the town, jokingly raised his hand to vote against Stella taking on the role, equaling his record.

Not surprisingly the retired Damer's First School teacher is hoping to involve young people in shaping the future of the town during her year in office, including setting up a youth council.

"Young people worked hard and responsively to set up the skate park in the town and there are many other aspects of life here in which they could be involved," she said.

Mrs Jones also plans to help raise the profile of a number of small charities whose work, she says, sometimes gets overlooked.

Stella, a West Dorset District Councillor and town councillor, has previously been mayoress to husband Trevor as well as mayor in her own right. She has been an east ward town councillor since 1973 and today serves on both the town and district council and has been a county councillor in the past.

Mr and Mrs Jones live in Syward Road and have four children and ten grandchildren – all of which travelled to



■ **MAYOR**, Councillor Stella Jones (centre right) with husband, Trevor (centre left) and town council officials

by Trevor Bevins

Dorchester to watch the Corn Exchange ceremony.

Mrs Jones is a trustee of the Dorchester Community Nursery School and of HomeStart West Dorset and is involved with a number of other local organisations, many involving children.

She told her audience that, according to official figures, Dorchester Town Council is one of the 40 most active councils in the country.

She said that the town had changed since she was first elected in 1973 and was proud to have the Duchy's Poundbury development and, more recently, Brewery Square – both of which she said had benefited the town and helped Dorchester maintain its distinctiveness.

"The growth has taken place gradually so that the town could absorb its extension and still maintain its identity and human scale. It is a lovely town and we need to do all we can to continue having a caring, inclusive community, in which we can all share our good fortune in living here."

She said she was delighted that the district council had not included the Came area in the local plan for extra housing and pledged to continue to ensure that future developments are "sensitive and appropriate".

Proposing Mrs Jones for office, Councillor Mollie Rennie said she was delighted to support someone who "knows the ropes" and who had helped many people in the town, over the years.

She said she had heard one of Stella's grandchildren ask if she was Queen of Dorchester.

"To all the children she has helped, and will help, she is the Queen of Dorchester," said Mrs Rennie.

Seconder Susie Hosford said she has worked out that Stella's combined service on town, district and county council amounted to 80 years of public service – her 40 years on West Dorset District Council giving her the distinction of being the longest serving, regularly elected councillor there.

She said that despite the years her enthusiasm and commitment remained undiminished and she was confident that Mrs Jones would continue to champion causes and passionately safeguard the town.

Tributes were also paid to Dorchester's outgoing mayor, Andy Canning, wife Mel and son James who between them formed "team Canning" during the previous 12 months to represent the town.

James was the first teenager to help out as mayor's consort for official engagements when his mother was unable to attend.

Mr Canning said he'd had a memorable year, not only with the Olympics and Queen's Jubilee celebrations, but in meeting countless individuals and organisations.

He said: "I have met people from all sorts of backgrounds who do incredible work for the town... from a huge range of organisations who do a great deal of work to make Dorchester a better place to live."

He also paid tribute to mayor's secretary Sue Cheeseman and town clerk Dennis Holmes, both attending their last mayor-making in an official capacity before retiring in June. Those who would like Mrs Jones to attend events during her year should call the Mayor's Secretary on 01305 266861.

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PETER Porteous is originally from Dorset but has become a familiar face in Axminster through his involvement with Axminster Job Club.

A few years ago, Peter and his wife Prue came here from North Somerset with some of their family.

He enjoys country activities and a fine Otter Ale with friends.

■ TELL us a bit about yourself.

I was one of five children and brought up on a smallholding in Dorset.

I went to school near Reading where anyone from the Westcountry was called 'farmer'. This particular 'farmer' joined the Royal Navy, serving in coastal fishery protection vessels and in frigates, transferring to the RN Reserve, as a Minesweeper 'Jim' and a patrol craft skipper teaching coastal navigation out of Bristol.

I was an HR Manager in BAE Space Division, Filton, and then set up my own technical recruitment and training business. In 2003 I was called back to Service, took the moths out of my uniform and worked on defence matters relating to people and equipment across the three Services.

■ HOW did you get into running Axminster Job Club?

In 2009 there was a notice on a pew in our church about Axminster Churches Together wanting to start a job club.

It was looking for volunteers so I went along to see what was going on and found myself with the job of job club officer.

Although it means getting involved with virtually everything with the club, we are all volunteers operating under our chairman, Liz Lynn, who should take the credit for starting this.

■ WHAT made you interested?

When I was at BAE, if work dried up after a satellite was completed for launch, then staff were laid off. It was crazy really but that is what happened, so we put together a job-search training package to help them find work until we took them on again.

The Axminster Job Club operates with that package but brought up to date. Also, I knew what losing your job was like because I had previously been made redundant from Plessey in Poole when our children were very young.

■ WHAT experience can you bring?

It is about communicating with people and to understand their hopes and fears which we all share. It has also

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Job Centre.

The Job Club is currently working alongside providers of training in English, Maths, IT and is networked with other organisations as well such as ARC and CAB.

■ TELL us about the job fair on May 30th.

The idea has been in the back of people's minds and it was just going to happen when the town council offered the Guildhall for free.

Backing has come in a big way from 'Pulman's View From Axminster'. The Job Centre in Honiton is dedicating a lot of time bringing in as many employers as they can.

At the moment all is going according to plan. It will be a great all-day event and we hope to have job-related things happening such as training course 'tasters', a CV clinic and employer-led sessions which we will publicise in the press when we know more.

■ WHAT do you enjoy most about the job club?

It's the people we meet and helping them to help themselves.

At some level, people tend to know what they want but sometimes need assistance in getting there. It is about keeping people on the 'front foot', introducing a degree of realism and offering practical support.

As volunteers we don't have all the answers but it can be very rewarding getting someone through a tough situation like job loss.

■ IF £500 could be spent on the local area, what would you like to see improved?

I would give it to a voluntary organisation in Axminster that offers adventurous training for young people. What we need are imaginative volunteer organisations to set up and run active youth groups in the town.

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Such organisations are inherently 'risk-adverse' in organising much more than kick-about football.

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A viable model would be for voluntary youth organisations to be assisted by the relevant local authority with the offer of conducting risk assessments on proposed adventurous training plans. But no direct funding please.



been very encouraging to see some of our visitors themselves volunteering their own services to help others.

That is what does it for me. Talking of the volunteers generally, it is really amazing what skill and resourcefulness there is in Axminster, ordinary people we see in the street have something precious to offer.

■ WHAT does the job club offer people?

It has become an essential drop-in point if you are looking for work. It offers general 'soft skill' support in CV writing, getting going in the market and interviews and there is also the 'internet-café' part of it.

The Axminster Carpets redundancies really made us focus on our core business and we became a networking centre for various training agencies and the Government

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Campaigners win fight to stop development

CAMPAIGNERS have won their fight against developing outside the Dorchester bypass line close to an Area Of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

West Dorset councillors agreed on changes to the draft Local Plan, which will now exclude housing sites to the south east of Dorchester; Hollymoor Lane in Beaminster and a site at Barton Farm, Sherborne.

The plan now includes a housing supply for 17 to 18 years, rather than 20 years as previously stated. A review of the Local Plan will be carried out in four to five years time.

The West Dorset, Weymouth & Portland Local Plan will now be submitted to the planning inspector for independent examination, before it can be formally adopted.

West Dorset District Council has involved the public in drawing up the plans through a series of events and consultations. This included an open invitation to all residents to work together to put forward ideas for the draft plan, which was then published in June 2012.

Most recently the council invited the public to comment on alternative proposals as part of a consultation across January, February and March 2013.

Drop-in sessions at Dorchester, Crossways, Sherborne

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and Beaminster gave residents the opportunity to talk to the council about the alternative proposals and submit comments.

The district council received around 2,100 responses from individuals and organisations in the 2013 consultation, and more than 900 from the consultation in June and July 2012.

The new local plan, which the inspector will now decide on will include land for around:

- 500 homes and 3.5 hectares of employment land at Crossways
- 850 homes to form the Chickerell Urban Extension
- 760 homes at Vearse Farm, Bridport
- 120 homes at the land north of Broadwindsor Road, Beaminster

A further planning application would need to be submitted by a developer before any of the developments could take place. This would need to be approved by the

district council.

Councillor Robert Gould, Leader of West Dorset District Council, said: "I would like to thank everyone who submitted their comments during every consultation period.

"The district council has taken all views into account and made the appropriate alterations to the Local Plan.

The Local Plan sets out a long term planning strategy to meet future housing, employment and leisure needs in the area.

It covers important issues like where housing could be built, how the economy can be boosted and what infrastructure, like schools and play areas, may be needed.

It also looks at how climate change can be tackled, the environment protected and how future developments can be made more sustainable.

The councils have worked out how much additional housing is required in the area from projected population figures based on findings from the 2011 Census. This means any land allocated for development that is removed or reduced from the Local Plan would need to be replaced.

The Local Plan could be adopted as soon as February 2014.

Rock star to speak at badger cull meeting

QUEEN musician and animal rights campaigner Brian May will take to the stage in Dorchester on Friday to oppose Government's plans to have Dorset as a reserve area for badger culling.

Pilot culls in West Somerset and Gloucestershire have been agreed and will go ahead from June after being delayed in the autumn.

If there are problems with either area a reserve site will be used in Dorset, allowing badgers to be shot in the open without needing to be trapped first.

Campaigners say that culling badgers is not justified and have attacked claims from scientific advisers to the Government that the creatures are linked to the spread of bovine tuberculosis in cattle herds.

Those opposing the cull, including Dorset Wildlife Trust, say that a

programme of vaccinating wild badgers should be tried first. The trust is trying to raise enough money to vaccinate all the badgers it has on reserves owned, or managed, by the trust across the county.

"Dorset Wildlife Trust recognises the hardship that it causes in the farming community and the need to find the right mechanisms to control the disease... An injectable badger BCG vaccine has recently become available, and there is an urgent need for more data on its practical use in the field.

The Badger culls were

postponed in the autumn, when it became known that the number of badgers in the pilot areas had been underestimated.

New targets allow farmers to shoot up to 5,000 badgers in West Gloucestershire and West Somerset over a six-week period starting on June 1st.

The Government has commissioned a national survey of badgers which is expected to report in July or August.

Other speakers at the

Dorchester meeting include Gavin Grant, chief executive of the RSPCA who says that studies into a cull found it would not have a major impact on the spread of TB.

"We obviously need to do something but we have to do the right thing, the cull is wrong. So if not culling, then what? The answer is vaccination," he said.

"The RSPCA, working with others has put together a costed, practical, working programme to

vaccinate the badgers of the two pilot cull zones.

"We're ready to put our effort behind a funded programme if the government will match it. We'll also try and put the people on the ground to make sure it goes ahead."

Also taking to the platform will be Mark Jones, 'vet' and managing director of the Humane Society, and Steve Jones, a retired dairy farmer and leader of the "Not in this Farmer's Name" campaign group.

Fond farewell for council office staff

DORCHESTER Town Council is preparing to say farewell to two of its longest serving staff.

Town clerk Dennis Holmes and senior admin' assistant Sue Cheeseman – who between them have clocked up almost 55 years of service.

Both will be leaving the North Square offices at the end of June.

Mrs Cheeseman, the longer-serving of the two, is responsible for the planning and environment committee and the joint burial committee.

She also works as the mayor's secretary, takes care of a range of

civic events and oversees twinning arrangements.

The new town clerk, Adrian Stuart, a former district council officer will start work at the council after the May bank holiday, working alongside Dennis Holmes until the end of the month.

Shire Hall bid for lottery funding

A £1.1 MILLION bid is being made to the Heritage Lottery Fund to help transform Dorchester's Shire Hall into heritage centre.

If successful the centre, based around the Tolpuddle Martyrs court, is likely to be run by the county museum. It will also provide a new home for the tourist information centre.

West Dorset District Council has set aside £100,000 to draw-up the bid from the Heritage Lottery Fund, which approved an initial first round application earlier this year.

The project, if it goes ahead, will transform the Grade I listed Shire Hall, which includes the old crown court and cells, into a visitor centre with high quality exhibitions and educational resources.

Robert Gould, Leader of West Dorset District Council, said: "This is a good decision as it paves the way for the Shire Hall to become an important visitor attraction and the centrepiece of Dorchester's heritage quarter.

"The Shire Hall is a fascinating building with a unique history. Visitors will be able to tread in the footsteps of the Tolpuddle Martyrs and see the sights that would have greeted them.

"I am very pleased that we are doing all we can to safeguard our county town's unique history and attract more visitors. This will benefit our local economy and we will also be creating something Dorchester can be proud of for generations to come."

The council's Executive Committee decided to earmark the money so a detailed bid, covering construction, conservation matters and the production of exhibition materials, can be submitted next spring. The district council also earlier pledged to contribute £1million to help make the project a reality.

The old crown court is famous for the trial of the Tolpuddle Martyrs in 1834. Author Thomas Hardy also sat there as a magistrate.

Local people will be asked for their views while talks continue with other interested groups, including the Trades Union Congress and the Thomas Hardy Society.

The district council has owned Shire Hall in High West Street since 1974.

More information about this project can be seen at www.dorsetforyou.com/shirehallproject.

BEM for museum volunteer

DORSET County Museum Honorary Curator, Gwen Yarker, was presented with her British Empire Medal by the Lord-Lieutenant of Dorset, Valerie Pitt-Rivers in Dorchester this week.

Gwen received her award in the 2013 New Year Honours List as a result of her services to museums.

She has been working with the county town museum for almost 20 years.

Other county museum volunteers went along to the Dorchester museum on Tuesday (May 21) to celebrate with her.

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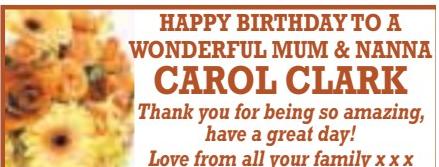
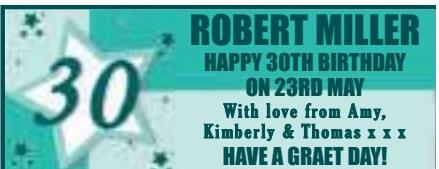
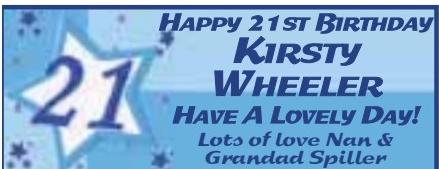
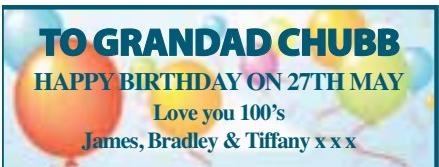
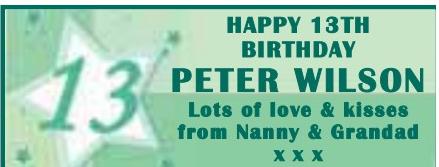
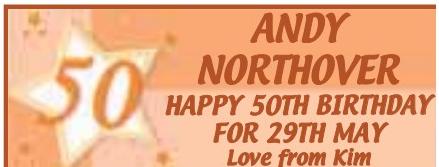
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New council leader elected

SPENCER Flower has been elected as the new leader of Dorset County Council.

The appointment was made last Thursday (May 16th) at the council's first meeting since the county elections earlier this month.

Councillor Flower, who represents Verwood and Three-Legged Cross, has been a county councillor since 2005 and the cabinet member for corporate resources since 2009.

He is currently the leader of East Dorset District Council but will step down from the role in September.

Councillor Flower takes over from Angus Campbell, who stepped down as leader of the county council after almost seven years in the role.

Mr Campbell, who represented Hambledon, did not stand for re-election on May 2nd. West Dorset District Council leader and Sherborne division councillor, Robert Gould, will be deputy leader.

Councillor Flower said: "It is a great honour and privilege to have been elected as leader of the council today.

"Over the next four years we will be faced with an uncertain and unprecedented financial outlook, as government grant settlements continue to be reduced. However, I'm looking forward to meeting the challenges this will bring with the help and support of my colleague members and officers."



COUNCILLOR Spencer Flower



COUNCILLOR John Wilson

Conservatives make up the majority group on the new-look council, with 27 seats. The Liberal Democrats have 12, Labour 5 and UKIP 1. In total, there are 18 new faces on the council.

At their first meeting in county hall, Dorchester, members also agreed the following cabinet roles and responsibilities:

Corporate resources - Robert Gould; Environment - Hilary Cox; Education and communications - Toni Coombs; Children's safeguarding, and families - Rebecca Knox; Adult social care - Jill Haynes; Public health and community services - Peter Finney; John Wilson will continue as chairman of the council, while Andrew Cattaway was elected as vice-chairman.

Councillor Wilson said: "I am deeply honoured to have been elected once again to serve a fifth year as chairman of Dorset County Council. It was most gratifying that the appointment was the result of a unanimous vote of the council, so my position clearly enjoys cross-party support."

Membership of the various council committees, including chairmen and vice-chairmen, was also agreed.

Janet Dover will continue as leader of the Liberal Democrat group, while Mike Byatt is the leader of the Labour group.

A listing of all county council members, with their contact details, can be found at: www.dorsetforyou.com/councillors/county.

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Women gather to fight cancer

AROUND 1,500 mums, grandmothers, daughters, sisters and friends joined in this year's Cancer Research UK Race for Life at Kingston Maurward this weekend.

Pink was the colour of the day with messages including "beat it cancer", "jog on cancer!" and "in your face cancer".

Organisers, Cancer Research UK, hope the event will raise £90,000 for life-saving research into the disease, which affects one person in three.

Before the start, those taking part warmed up with Race for Life's new dance, "The Cancer Slam", which is being performed by thousands of women at more than 230 Race for Life events around the UK this summer.

Lisa Sweeting, the event manager, said:

"Those attending Race for Life at Dorchester really meant business when they got together to hit cancer where it hurts! They really entered into the spirit of the fighting talk behind this year's event."

"They may have been decked out in pink or fancy dress, but don't be fooled by the tutus and tiaras. What was inescapable was the power and strength that comes from thousands of women joining together to confront cancer."

"Even the weather couldn't dampen their spirits. Many stayed to have a picnic after doing their bit to beat cancer."

She added: "There are more than 200 cancers and we won't give up until we find cures for them all. It's fighting talk, but we

mean every word we say."

Cancer Research UK's Race for Life, in partnership with Tesco, is an inspiring women-only series of events which raises millions of pounds every year to help defeat cancer by funding life-saving research.

In 2013, Cancer Research UK hopes to recruit 560,000 women and raise £50million to help fund life-saving work.

Since Race for Life started 6.5million participants across the UK have raised more than £490million to fund Cancer Research UK's vital work.

For further information about Cancer Research UK's work or to find out how to support the charity, please call 0300 123 1861 or visit www.cancerresearchuk.org.



■ WARMING up for Race for Life at Dorchester

Photos courtesy of Cancer Research UK



■ WARMING up with Race for Life's new dance The Cancer Slam



■ THEY are off! Dorchester Race for Life 2013

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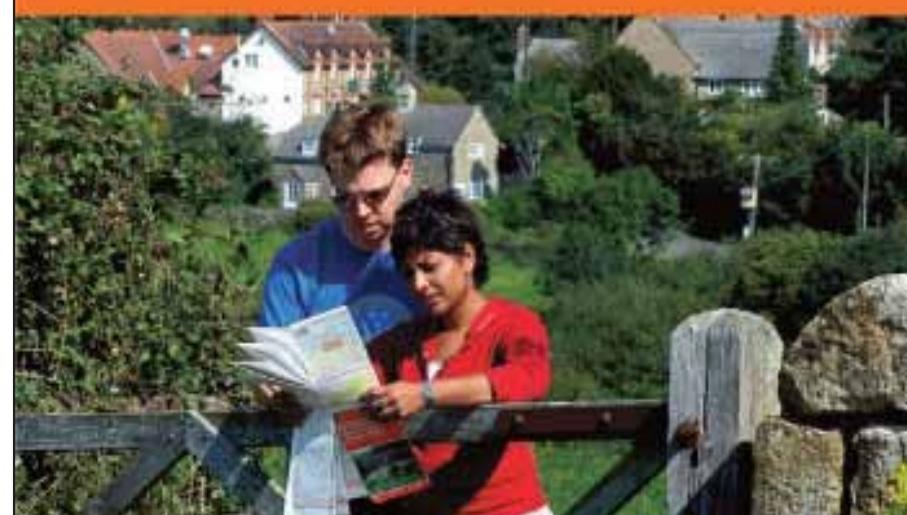
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Gardens one of town's most loved features

THE Borough Gardens is one of the town's most loved features – according to a town council satisfaction survey.

A total of 94 per cent rated it excellent or good, while 92 per cent gave the same rating to events organised by the town council in the gardens.

The town skate park came close behind with a 93 per cent rating.

Least rated were the cemeteries (70 per cent excellent or good), the Allotments (72 per cent) and The Walks (71 per cent), while Fordington Green came bottom of the poll with 69 per cent.



■ THE town's Borough Gardens

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Future of charity event uncertain

by Trevor Bevins
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FOUR groups who helped with last year's Maiden Newton at War event have been presented with cheques.

They received a share of the profit with £4,000 each going to St Mary's Church, the Junior Football Club and the Friends of Maiden Newton Play Area.

The Friends of Greenford School received a cheque for £4,500 in recognition of their additional costs in providing part of the venue.

The committee has also made a donation to the Maiden Newton Branch of the Royal British Legion to recognise their support during the event.

But, the presentation evening was told that unless new organisers could be found the next event will not be going ahead.

Event Manager, Andy Elliott said: "An event of this kind would be impossible without the support of the community and in particular the enthusiasm of volunteers. The four organisations recognised this evening agreed from the outset to assist us with running Maiden Newton at War 2012 and they did a great job. We are very pleased to be able to share our profits with them."

"The play area hopes to purchase a new climbing frame with their donation, the church will put theirs towards a new kitchenette and toilet, the junior football club desperately need a new storage facility and the Friends of Greenford School hope to use their share to help them purchase some new outdoor play equipment for key stage two.

"If all of these purchases go ahead then the event of 2012 will have made a significant contribution to the community."

He went on to say: "Unfortunately the future of the event is uncertain. Although it is very popular and has



■ MAIDEN Newton groups receiving their cheques from Maiden Newton at War manager Andy Elliott

raised tens of thousands of pounds for the community it is very time consuming to organise.

"I will be standing down from the committee to focus on other things and the rest of the committee have agreed to take a break for now. This means that there will not be another event in 2014. No decision

has yet been taken on the long term future of the event, but without a new event manager the future remains uncertain."

Anybody wishing to volunteer to help with a future event can contact the committee by email: info@maidennewtonatwar.co.uk.

Demand for allotment plots falls

DORCHESTER Town Council has put a hold on its quest to find additional land for allotments in the town.

Councillors have decided that the existing level of provision is

enough following a fall in demand for plots. The council had expected to see around a hundred people on the waiting list for a plot but the figures have fallen to roughly half that.

The council had planned to talk to the Duchy of Cornwall to see if more land could be made available. Regular meetings with allotment holders will be used to help monitor the situation.

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Still time to enter carnival



CARNIVAL chairman Ben King, pictured at last year's event. The Round Table is appealing for more entries for this year's June 15th procession

ORGANISATIONS and individuals from in and around Dorchester are being asked to sign up for this year's carnival procession.

To make the job easier the organising Round Table committee has decided not to have a specific theme for the June 15th early evening event.

Companies, community organisations, groups of family or friends and individuals are all welcome to join in the fun.

Other events planned include the four-legged pub race and the annual party in the park in the Borough Gardens, both events taking place on the Friday before carnival day itself.

Those interested in entering the procession should contact organiser Ben King by phoning 07805 491699, or by email - dorchesterroundtable@hotmail.co.uk

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Lions' cheque to help swimmers



LIONS President Doug Bowring and Lion Jo Maidment make the presentation to happy members and coaches of the swimming group

DORCHESTER Lions have presented a £500 cheque to the West Dorset Swimming Club to help their work with children with disabilities.

The club is the latest beneficiary of the Lions annual fundraising Swimarathon, where "Sport for the Disabled in Our Local Community" was chosen as its main good cause.

David Element, treasurer of the swim club, said that the funds will help to train dedicated coaches and teachers who supervise children with disabilities in the club.

The Dorchester Lions have been pleased to perpet-

uate the Paralympic legacy by also donating £500 to each of three other local clubs who provide opportunities for sporting activities with disabled groups.

Lions President Doug Bowring said: "We recognise that encouraging children to enjoy water sport represents an important part in confidence building and helps to develop social interaction."

"We are proud to make this presentation to the West Dorset Swimming Club.

"We know that these additional funds will assist them in their good work with the special children in our community."

Amenities get thumbs up

TOWN council play areas and the skate park are getting the thumbs up from users in Dorchester.

Figures from the latest satisfaction survey show 93 per cent saying the skate park is "excellent" or "good". 86 per cent say the same about the town council-run play areas.

Hiring figures for the Weymouth Avenue Pavilion and the Borough Gardens House are expected to increase in the second part of the year after the council won new regular weekly bookings.

Elsewhere bookings for the Municipal Buildings are slightly down on last year although weddings and wedding receptions are at their highest since 2009. Work on the outside of the building, to repair stonework and other items, is expected to be completed in mid-June.

Town clerk Dennis Holmes says in a report to councillors that the performance is "reasonable" considering the downturn in the economy and the loss of two regular dance classes in the Corn Exchange.

Walks improvement plan

THE surface of Dorchester's South and West Walks are to be improved to allow cycling on them.

Dorset County Council has secured funding from the Department of Transport from the "Linking Communities" Fund but the work must be completed by December 2014 under the terms of the deal.

News of the work has been welcomed by town councillors.

Bank holiday stroll

DORCHESTER Strollers will be adopting a Thomas Hardy theme for their Bank Holiday Monday walk.

Meeting at 10.30am at the Ambulance Station, the group will walk to Stinsford along a path often trod by Thomas Hardy, pausing for readings of the author's work on the way.

The walk will take approximately an hour and a half.

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Triathletes at the ready

DOZENS of athletes will be taking to the roads and streets in and around Dorchester this weekend for Sunday's Dorchester Triathlon.

All of them, apart from those in relay teams, will start with a 400m swim in the Dorchester Sports Centre pool – followed by a 24km cycle ride, which will include Hardy's Monument, and then a 5km run towards Maiden Castle.

The event, known as a 'sprint triathlon', has been designed with novices in mind with special events being put on at the leisure centre for family members of those taking part.

The Dorchester Triathlon is being sponsored by Riskstop and the event is being organised in partnership between 1610 and Total Buzz Events.

The event is open to single entrants or to relay teams with medals to all finishers and age group prizes on offer on the day.

For more information please contact leisure centre manager Mark Jenkins on 01305 858400 or email mjenkins@1610.org.uk

Church flower festival

THE annual flower festival at Moreton Church is being held over the coming Bank Holiday weekend.

Volunteer arrangers will be decorating the ancient church ready for opening on Saturday, May 25th with the church also open daily from 10am to 5pm on Sunday and Monday.

Stalls offering plants, books, teas and a tombola will be available each day with a Songs of Praise being held at 6pm on the Sunday.

The church has a rare collection of Whistler engraved windows.

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Hospice offers support and advice on preparing for death

WELDMAR Hospicecare Trust is urging people to prepare for their own deaths.

The hospice service has been taking part in a national week with the theme: "Dying Matters: Be Ready for it".

The Dorchester-based Trust say research commissioned by the Dying Matters Coalition shows that less than a third of people have discussed their wishes around dying. The Coalition has identified five key actions everyone can take to make sure their dying wishes are met.

They are: write a will, record your funeral wishes, consider what care and support you would like if you were dying, consider registering as an organ donor, and discuss your wishes with your loved ones.

Weldmar has been involved in a Dorset-wide group concerned with dying matters called Dorset Compassionate Communities. This is a group of individuals and organisations who work across the county to offer support at the time of dying and in bereavement and also to encourage more



■ JO JURY, Weldmar Palliative Care Social Worker, distributing information at the Carers' Event

discussion of death and dying.

Following the start of the group in 2011, Weldmar, is taking the lead in developing Dorset Compassionate Communities. The aim of all the members is to improve the quality of life for people who are entering the end stages of life and to support their families.

Terri White, Education

Nurse Facilitator at Weldmar, who is leading the Compassionate Communities said: "I am delighted to be taking this project forward to help ensure all people in Dorset are aware of how to find help and support at the most difficult time of their lives and also to feel able to have those conversations with their loved ones about

their end of life wishes."

During Dying Matters Awareness Week, on Tuesday, May 14th, Weldmar held an information event for carers at Joseph Weld Hospice.

Seventeen people attended to hear a talk from a solicitor about Wills and Powers of Attorney, as well as talks from Weldmar professional staff.

More volunteers needed for child contact centre

DORCHESTER'S Child Contact Centre continues to run at full capacity, according to chairman The Reverend Paul Arnold.

The Charles Street centre, which is run by volunteers, was set up to allow children contact with adults from whom they have been separated.

The group's annual meeting heard that centre staff deal with at least six families per session – despite a cut in grant from the Children and Family Court Advisory and Support Service.

"We are grateful to donations from local organisations and other grant-making bodies, but must continue to explore ways of raising the necessary funds to ensure the Centre remains financially viable in the future," said Mr Arnold.

He also expressed concern about changes to funding in the justice system and how that might increase the number of people referring themselves to the centre, rather than being referred by the courts.

"This will mean a more demanding process of assessment by our co-ordinator and potentially less support from a case manager, like a solicitor, when difficulties or disputes arise. We are concerned by these changes and will monitor how they change affect our practice in the coming year."

He paid tribute to volunteers and management committee members who give their time to keep the centre open – and praised Peter Mann who served as secretary for ten years since the establishment of the centre in 2002.

Alison Cocks has now taken over the role.

Mr Arnold said that the team of volunteers would benefit from a boost in numbers in the year ahead and asks potential volunteers to contact co-ordinator Brenda Blackler on 01305 265914.

"We are fortunate to have such a good team, but we need more to join us. Many of our present volunteers have given their time over the last ten years and would welcome new people to bring new ideas and skills," said Mrs Blackler.

The annual meeting heard that the occasion was the last for The Reverend Paul Arnold and Jean Arnold, who has been the centre's safeguarding trainer. The couple will be leaving Dorchester in the summer to take up a new appointment in Gillingham.

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Young musicians raise £850 for children's hospice



■ YOUNG musicians from the Dorchester area performing in the Corn Exchange in a concert for Julia's House

MORE than a hundred young musicians entertained at Dorchester's Corn Exchange in a special concert in aid of the Dorset Children's Hospice, Julia's House.

The youngsters, from the First, Middle and Upper schools in the Dorchester area, were hosted by the Mayor of Dorchester, Councillor, Andy Canning, with the event raising just over £850 for the charity.

The audience enjoyed a wide range of music from the First Schools Orchestra, the Flute Choir, Harmony Group, Thomas

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Hardy Ukulele Troupe, and the Middle Schools Orchestra, with some traditional music as well as some really modern pieces, ending in an excit-

ing rendition of "Skyfall". Said Dorchester Friends of Julia's House chair, Gill Slade: "The event came at a special time for the charity – it is just 10 years

since the very first Dorset family received care in their own home from a Julia's House nurse.

"Today the hospice is still leading the field in community care for children with life limiting conditions.

"No other children's hospice in the UK offers

the level of home-based support which Julia's House families receive.

"Julia's House is so grateful to the schools and young people involved in this concert as well as the parents and members of the public who came to support the charity."

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The Antique & Vintage Sunday held monthly on last Sunday in the Art & Vintage Quarter on the St Michael's Trading Estate is celebrating the Spring Bank Holiday weekend by opening their doors for the 3 days.

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Not just food at festival

ANOTHER Dorset Festival is being held in Queen Mother Square at Poundbury.

The two-day festival, which celebrates the county's food, arts and crafts, and music follows on from the success of the first festival, held last year.

Being held on Saturday, July 6th and Sunday 7th, organisers are now inviting producers, craftspeople and more musicians to attend.

Demonstrations by local chefs and food writers, and a wide range of activities and entertainment for all ages are already booked and a west-end sound system and live music stage will provide musicians with an opportunity to perform.

The festival will also be the launch venue for Dorset Food & Drink – a new organisation for people making, growing, serving, selling, supporting and buying Dorset food and drink.

On Sunday, July 7th, the domestic cook finalists from the BV Media Taste of Dorset Food Awards' Best Original, Dorset Recipe competition will take part in a cook-off in the Dorset Farmers' Market mobile kitchen.

The festival is supported by the Duchy of Cornwall and other local businesses, and entry is free.

To book a stand or for further information contact Jo Yeatman on 01258 818282.

The event will be officially opened by Julian Fellowes at 10am on Saturday 6th July.

Volunteer cooks needed

HELPERS are needed for the St Martin's community outreach project which offers soup lunches on the second Thursday of each month.

Volunteers are wanted to help make soup, bread and biscuits.

If you are able to help call 01305 854436, or sign up in the church.

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DORSET County Hospital's hip replacement team celebrate news that they are the best in the country for patient outcomes

DORSET County Hospital's (DCH) hip replacement service is the best in the country according to new data about how well patients recover following surgery.

Patient Reported Outcome Measures (PROMs) is an NHS initiative which asks patients about their health and quality of life before they have an operation and about their health and the effectiveness of the operation afterwards.

The most recent data released shows that DCH has the best scores in the whole country for hip replacement when compared

to other hospitals and specialist centres.

Consultant hip surgeon Peter Ward said he and the team were thrilled: "We are absolutely delighted as it shows that all the hard work and commitment from the entire team has been worth it.

"Our hip rapid recovery programme now allows patients to get up and about and return home just a few days after surgery.

"We have a team approach with the patient at the centre, involving physiotherapists, occupational therapists and the nursing staff. Everyone works together

extremely well and is totally focused on doing the best for patients - I think this is the key to our success.

"To be recognised as the top service in the country is a tremendous achievement and a credit to the whole team. We hope as a department to provide clinical excellence.

"As a relatively small hospital we were delighted to be able to demonstrate outcomes better than every other unit in the country, and strive to improve the care we can provide still further in the future."

Close up camera tips

TWO courses are being held for camera users to learn the techniques for taking close-ups of flowers and insects.

Tutor John Bennington will hold the first course for SLR camera users on Saturday, May 25th between 10am and 4.30pm with the second course, for compact and bridge cameras, on Saturday, June 1st. The courses will take place at Barton Meadows Farm and Black Hill, Cerne Abbas. For more information, or to book a place, email nigel@spring@yahoo.co.uk.

Bank holiday fun

DORCHESTER Town Football Club is holding a Community Day at the Great Field, Poundbury on Sunday 26th.

The event will be open from 10am to 7pm and will include displays, stalls and sideshows, a dog competition and food and refreshments throughout the day.

Other bank holiday entertainment lined up takes place on Bank Holiday Monday when the Zoo Schwarz Blue Commotion will be performing from the Borough Gardens bandstand from 2.30pm.

Museum crazy golf

MINI crazy golf is being offered as a family activity in the county museum next Wednesday, May 29th.

The activity, for which children must be accompanied by an adult, runs from 10.30am until noon.

Sponsorship from Battens Solicitors means that the museum is offering the event free of charge.

Talk about giant book

SACRED sites guide, author and dowser Peter Knight will be speaking in Cerne Abbas next week about his new book on the Cerne Giant.

His book is the first on the Giant for over a decade and claims to finally answer many questions about his age, identity and place in the landscape.

Peter Knight will outline his findings on the astronomical alignments of the Giant in his talk which takes place on Thursday, May 30th at 8pm in the village hall. Refreshments available from 7.30pm.

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Tickets on sale for Hardy fest'

TICKETS are now on sale for a "Thomas Hardy Fest" taking place at the author's Max Gate, Dorchester home from this weekend.

Three trails have been organised in the grounds and house itself, suitable for all ages. These will be open daily from Saturday, May 25th excluding Tuesday, May 28th.

And while the trails are available there will be other entertainment suitable for half-term week, including maypole dancing, a dressing up box with period clothes and other activities suitable for school-age and pre-school children.

Next Thursday, May 30th, the gardens come into their own for "Max Gate after Dark" – a celebration of Hardy's poetry and prose with live music and local beers and ciders available. Tickets for the 7-9pm event cost £8 and are

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Indulgent cakes impress chef

A SMALL local start up business has won accolades for its cakes by a top chef at the inaugural Dorset Foodie Show at Dorchester football ground.

Nicola Hughes and Mandy Broster-Heard, based in Maiden Newton, are partners in the company Tiers of Indulgence which they started together in September 2011.

Lifelong friends, the pair left their full time jobs to set up 'Tiers' in order to balance their commitments as mothers whilst following their passion for producing bespoke cakes.

Having entered cakes in to the Foodie Show cake competition under the categories of best cupcake and best novelty cake, their entries were judged by the multi Michelin Star award winning chef, Jean-Christophe Novelli.

The events have been put together, as part of a project, by students from Bath Spa University working with the National Trust.

Overcoming stiff competition in their first cake competition the pair were delighted to not only achieve first



■ TIERS of Indulgence owners Nicola Hughes and Mandy Broster-Heard with Michelin Star award winning chef, Jean-Christophe Novelli

by Trevor Bevins
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place in the cupcake category and second place in the novelty cake competition, but warm praise from Jean-Christophe himself.

Impressed with their

attention to detail he stated the cakes were 'superb' with him personally inviting them both, along with the other winners, to a day at his culinary academy.

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Archaeology field trip

A FIELD archaeology trip, organised by the county museum group, will visit Hambledon Hill on June 1st.

The 6pm visit will be led by Greg Rochfort from the Dorset Natural History and Archaeological Society. The group will meet at St Nicholas Church, Child Okeford for the start of the walk.

A donation of £3 is suggested to cover the leader's costs.

A second field visit is planned on July 15th when Ian Rees, Dorset AONB Countryside Officer, will lead a walk around Maiden Castle, starting at the car park at 6pm.

Bird survey course

A COURSE on Bird Survey Techniques, led by the British Trust for Ornithology, is being held at the Kingcombe Centre this weekend.

Starting at 5pm on Friday 24th the course will continue until mid-afternoon on Sunday.

It is designed for amateur birders who would like to brush up their recognition skills and will be led by Su Gough.

To book, or find out further details, call Anne Cotton on 01786 466560.

Friday food market

A FRIDAY food market is to start in Martinstown at the end of this month.

The first Martinstown Market takes to the Village Green, directly opposite the church, on Friday, May 31st.

Organisers are hoping to offer a wide range of Dorset food specialists although pitches are limited because of the size of the Green. Anyone who is interested is asked to contact

Chris Norcott on 07712891107 or email on mtownmarket@outlook.com.



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SANDWORLD is home to one of the best quality displays of sand sculpting talent IN THE WORLD. With the opportunity for visitors to try sand sculpting for themselves, visitors come to marvel at the scale and intricacy of the sculptures, which in 2013, are based on a theme of SCIENCE FICTION. From Star Trek to Star Wars, The Avengers to Thunderbirds, Sandworld has designed and commissioned some of the most iconic science fiction scenes from film and TV, including the BBC series Dr Who, in celebration of the programme's 50th Anniversary. Depending on the timing of your visit, it may be possible to watch a sculptor at work, as new sculptures are added and replaced from time to time.

Now in its third season, Sandworld builds on Weymouth's historic links with sand modelling. Show founder - Mark Anderson - has been sculpting sand on Weymouth beach for 26 years, continuing a tradition started by his grandfather - Fred Darrington - back in the 1920's.

Sandworld opened in 2011, and has proved to be a popular destination for all age groups and all abilities. For those with an appreciation of artistic endeavour, the sculptures will amaze, and for those inspired and able, the opportunity to "have a go" is on hand. Visits can be as quick or as long as you like, but a typical visit will last about an hour. Some stay all day, some stay 1/2 hour. We have a cafe and gift shop. Most of the attraction is undercover making it suitable for all weather.

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ALPHA Alpacas just south of Melplash, on the A3066, have decided to open their gates to the public after many years of people stopping to peer over the gates at the alpacas. The herd is one of the top herds in the UK. The Alpaca Experience is being run in conjunction with the Pye More Inn who are providing the cream teas and acting as the booking agents. The Experience will allow visitors to learn more about these

fascinating creatures, who originate from high up in the Andes. They are bred for their very fine fibre, which is used to produce both knitwear and worsted cloth. Alpacas have been in the UK since Victorian times, but it is only in the last 15 years that they have been farmed commercially – there are now more alpacas in the UK than goats! Alpacas come in all colours from white through to black and during the Experience visitors will have the opportunity to learn more about alpacas and their fibre, followed by a leisurely walk around the 15 acre farm to see the 60+ alpacas on the site including Jack, who recently was crowned Supreme Champion at the British Alpaca Society National Show and other award winning alpacas. There are 23 cria (babies) due to be born over the coming weeks so some visitors may witness 'the miracle of birth' followed by paddocks of playful youngsters. Before enjoying a Dorset Cream Tea there will be the opportunity to take an alpaca for a walk. Alpaca products will also be on sale. To book – phone 01308 422625. Good footwear is advisable as the farm is a bio-secure area and visitors will enter across a disinfectant mat. Parking available on site.



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Kid's Club 2013

This school holiday Osprey Leisure Centre has programmed the usual variety of popular activities for kids aged 5 - 14 years from 28 May through to 31 May on the weekdays but excluding the Bank Holiday.

Amongst the usual mix of activity days Osprey is now offering an indoor football academy on Tuesdays and Thursdays which when added to the half day multi activity sessions on the same day give 2 extra full days from 9am - 4pm which have recently been added to the programme earlier in the year.

Many children love using the inflatable pirate ship obstacle course

during private pool parties but have the rare chance to attend the junior sessions for the over 9's which take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2 to 4pm for only £3 per child for a full 2 hours.

What better than to give your children the chance to have a great time in a safe indoor environment whilst expending much energy, being active and having fun this holiday season?

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DORSET COUNTY MUSEUM

THERE'S so much going on at Dorset County Museum. Don't miss the chance to see the current exhibition Encounters which ends on 7 June. Entry is free and the work of 24 Dorset artists is on display. Our new exhibition opens on 15 June and features the work of the Dorchester Camera Club.

During Half term there is a Dino Club session on Tuesday 28 May at 10.30am especially for children under 7. On 29th May, our FREE family activity at 10.30am is all about Mini Crazy Golf! Family activities are generously sponsored throughout 2013 by Batten Solicitors, so there's nothing to pay.

Looking ahead, our summer exhibition is a real winner – Pardoes ANIMATE! exhibition will reveal the wonderful world of film animation, its origins and evolution over the last two centuries. From Magic lanterns and Victorian flick books to Disney film cells, Harryhausen models and Aardman toys. Learn how well loved characters come alive under the artist's hand and how technology has led the way in this ever growing industry.

Children can make their own animated films and participate in workshops to learn how it's done. A series of talks by experienced animators and writers provide a fascinating insight behind the scenes of famous animated films.



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Young first aiders go head to head

YOUNG first aiders from schools in Dorset are competing in a national competition in Bristol today Thursday, May 23rd.

St John Ambulance is holding the regional round of the competition at the Avon and Somerset Police headquarters.

To enter teams have had to have complete training at different levels from the St John Ambulance Young First Aider scheme.

Grant Wilson, Schools, Youth and Community Development Co-ordinator for St John Ambulance in

Dorset, said: "First aid is not only a vital life skill, it also improves self-esteem, develops confidence and fosters a sense of belonging, which is why we're encouraging more schools to give their students a chance to learn it."

"The competition is a great way for young people to strengthen their knowledge while having fun. We use acting casualties who demonstrate a variety of everyday emergencies so, what could be a better way for the pupils to test their skills?"

Skydive for charity

A DORSET charity is offering people the chance to complete a skydive to raise funds for their cause.

Autism Wessex are looking for people to jump 15,000ft out of a plane all for a good cause.

Paul Reade, Community and Events Fundraiser said: "This is a really exciting way to raise money for charity, with speeds of up to 120mph whilst falling for two miles strapped to a professional Tandem instructor.

"Skydive Saturday will take place on July 6th. The whole experience is professionally run by the Skydive UK team who will be with you every step of the way.

"We are looking for those with a sense of adventure who are keen to enjoy a once in a lifetime opportunity whilst raising funds for charity. By taking part, this fantastic experience can also help us to help the thousands of children, adults and families affected by autism in the Wessex region to live fuller, happier lives."

For further details about this event please contact Paul Reade on 01202 703597.

Photographers encouraged to go mobile with new competition



PART OF the South West Coastal Path in Dorset – the setting for a new mobile phone photography competition launched this week

friends and family makes us look at what's all around us on the cliff tops, headlands and in the coves with an analytical eye, noticing details and tricks of the light that maybe we wouldn't without the stimulus of photography.

"The very process of trying to capture the experience to share with

is a great opportunity for anyone with a camera phone to get creative and share their unique vision of people experiencing the pleasures of the outdoor life on the South West Coast Path with the rest of the world."

The winner will receive a mini iPad.

Mobile photographers are invited to submit

their entries via the South West Coast Path Facebook page or Twitter @swcoastpath using the hashtag #MOTY2013 by the deadline of September 30th.

For full details of how to enter the competition and terms and conditions, visit www.southwestcoastpath.com/MOTY2013

Prizes for pretty gardens

GREEN fingered gardeners who encourage wildlife are being urged to enter a competition run by Dorset Wildlife Trust.

But those thinking of entering their own plots, or putting someone else forward will have to be quick - nominations have to be in by this Friday, May 24th.

Judging will take place later in the year.

The categories include – patio or small garden, less than 100 square metres; medium to large gardens; community or school entries and a competition for best improved garden.

The winners will receive a plaque with wildlife-friendly prizes for the runners-up and for every school which enters. Prizes are donated by the Gardens Group, which sponsors the competition.

Information about the competition and how to improve your garden for wildlife is available from www.dorsetwildlifetrust.org.uk/wgc.

Entry forms can also be found at Poundbury Gardens, Dorchester and the Wildlife Trust centres at Brooklands Farm near Chardminster and Lorton Meadows, Weymouth.

Bus pass deadline

JUST a week remains for parents to apply for a concessionary bus pass to get their child to school.

The concessionary scheme for families with children aged four to 18 who are not entitled to free school transport allows parents to apply to buy any spare seats available on contracted coaches.

Rick Perry, school admissions manager for Dorset County Council, said: "Only children who are new to the scheme and would like to use a concessionary seat for the first time need to apply."

"We are writing to parents of existing concessionary passengers to ask if they would like to keep their seat for next year or if their circumstances have changed."

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Railway walk

A WALK from Dorchester West Station this Saturday, May 25th, will take in villages to the west of Dorchester.

The walk, over eight miles at a leisurely pace, is being organised by the Ramblers as part of the Wessex Walks series, all based around the Weymouth to Bristol line.

Those wanting to join in who live north of Dorchester could catch the 08.39am from Bristol Temple Meads arriving at Dorchester West Station at 10.38am. The walk will be over, allowing time to explore Dorchester itself, in time to catch the return train from Dorchester West to Bristol Temple Meads at 17.41pm.

Further information is available from the walk leader on 01305 787790.

The programme of walks has been running now for more than 15 years and is organised and led by members of the Ramblers with support from the Heart of Wessex Community Rail Partnership and First Great Western.

Programmes for the other walks in the season are available from Tourist Information Centres or by visiting www.avon-ramblers.org.uk/wessex.html.

There is no need to pre-book and walkers are encouraged to wear stout footwear, bring plenty to drink and waterproofs – but not their dogs.

Age UK needs volunteers

AGE UK Dorchester is hoping to recruit more volunteers for its information and advice team.

Information and advice volunteers interview clients, identify and research information, act on clients' behalf, and help with letter writing; undertaking diagnosis, providing information with options and identifying action.

The charity says the work might appeal to those who like to identify problems and solutions in meeting the needs of older people, enjoy volunteering and have basic computer skills.

Age UK is also looking for a volunteer receptionist for one morning per week.

Please contact Peter Lindsley on 01305 269444, peter@ageukdorchester.org.uk for more information about becoming a volunteer.

Summer is here! First cygnet hatches at swannery

HUNDREDS of cygnets are beginning to hatch at Abbotsbury Swannery after the first baby swan was born at 7.45am on May 16th.

Local legend has it that the first hatching marks the start of summer.

The swannery is the only places in the world where visitors can walk every day through a colony of mute swans, see cygnets hatching and participate in mass feedings at 12noon and 4pm.

Swan-herds noticed the first signs of hatching when a mother swan became restless and began hovering over the nest, to allow the emerging cygnet more room to peck its way out of the egg.

The swan had just been bereaved after her mate died in a territorial dispute, but following the death Swan-herds were astonished to see a neighbouring cob (male swan) swimming downstream and adopting her eggs as his own.

This is highly unusual



■ THE first cygnet of 2013

behaviour, according to deputy Swan-herd Steve Groves.

He said: "She was left on her own, and this cob was in the next territory and had no mate. Remarkably, he came down

the stream and they paired up. Even though he is not the father of these eggs, he is behaving like he is, which is very odd."

He added: "I have not seen anything like this in

nearly 25 years of working at Abbotsbury Swannery."

Given that swans mate for life, it is thought the pair will stay together, fathering the male's cygnets next year.

Wine tasting fundraiser

BUDGING wine experts will be testing their pallets in a "Call my Bluff" tasting event at Poundbury on Friday, 24th.

Teams of six will have to challenge, or agree, with the descriptions given to each of six wines by a panel of "experts".

Those unable to form a team on their own are being invited to go along and join in with others.

The event starts at 7pm for 7.30pm in the Brownsword Hall with a raffle being held during the evening with prizes for the winning team.

Tickets, at £8, must be bought in advance from Stitchinghouse Design or the Poundbury Garden Centre, or via the website www.brownsworthvents.org.uk.

Open gardens

GARDENS at Sydling St Nicholas will be open to the public over the bank holiday weekend.

On both Sunday 26th and Monday 27th a £4.50 fee, payable at the hall, will give access to the many gardens taking part in the annual event between 2 and 6pm both days.

Also on offer will be afternoon teas and plant stalls. Children should be accompanied, no dogs.

Talk on fairground engines

FAIRGROUND traction engines will be the subject of a talk to the next meeting of the Dorset Industrial Archaeology Society.

The group will get together in the Dorset Room at the Colliton Club on Tuesday, May 28th at 7.30pm.

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Alison Stamper from Weymouth won this award for her dedication to developing her staff. She is a full time employer, mother and wife running a busy holiday park, but still finds the time and look at the needs of the young people.

She has turned unruly young people into responsible members of the community by believing in them.

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While looking after a partner following a triple by-pass operation and losing her father she suffered a heart attack herself but still made time for her family and friends.

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THE CHARITY AWARD



Mike Emery won this award for his work with the homeless of Weymouth through the Salvation Army. He runs a soup run on a Tuesday night with a few volunteers on Westham Bridge and a food bank which is very busy at the moment. He has recently been seriously ill and despite this he has carried on putting other people first.

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THE BRAVERY AWARD



Winner Darren Fletcher jumped in to the burning oil tanker and reversed it away from a house then he put the lorry fire out after an incident in Wool. He put his own health at risk and ended up in hospital for over 9 hours being treated for the effects of breathing in smoke.

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YOUNG EMPLOYEE OR APPRENTICE AWARD



Harry Williams won this award for his dedication to his role as an outdoor adventure instructor for Weymouth College. He always gets children of all ages and abilities involved in all the activities he instructs and they all enjoy his fun style of teaching.

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Winner Jodie Glover, a 6th Former at Sir John Colfox School Bridport, founded the Bridport Young Performers Scholarship to support any young people in the Bridport area wanting to train in the performing arts. BYPS helps finance training for young singers, dancers and actors with local teachers and at performing arts schools.

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Plans for the future include Brewers Quay Auction House coming soon and a vintage clothing quarter with dealers in vintage clothing welcome to apply for space.

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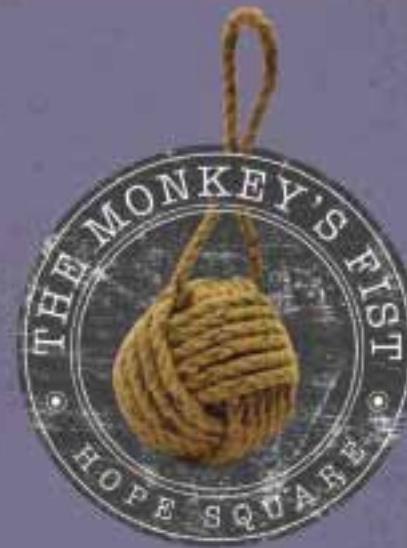


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David Graham of NTA Auction House has been running auctions successfully in Weymouth for 11 years. They have recently moved from their premises in Lynch Lane to Mandeville Road opposite Value House. The new premises was formerly part of the garden centre, and is light and spacious.

Sellers are welcome to bring items down at any time before each auction, between the hours of 10am and 4pm. As long as your item is legally allowed to be sold, you can bring down anything you like, they don't have to be antiques, or worth a lot of money, they can be old or new, large or small. If you are keen to sell some items, but are unable to get to the auction house yourself, a collection service is also available for a small charge.

There is an auction every 14 days throughout the year, with the next one scheduled for this Saturday, 13th April, starting at 10:30am. Any vehicles that are up for auction will be sold directly after the main auction.

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Meeting to discuss pain clinic changes

A PUBLIC meeting about changes to the Dorset Community Pain Service is being held in Dorchester on Friday, May 24th.

Dorset HealthCare and NHS Dorset Clinical Commissioning Group will hold the meeting at 10am at the Weymouth Avenue stadium allowing people to ask experts about how the new system will work from early June.

Chris Kennedy, Pan-Dorset Community Health Services, Dorset HealthCare said: "We look forward to welcoming members of the public to our meetings and to sharing our model for persistent pain management for Dorset when we take over the service at the beginning of June. The service will aim to help people to deal with their pain through the provision of a physical, psychological and social assessment."

Campaign for living wage in Dorset

A CAMPAIGN has started for a living wage in Dorset – with a launch meeting being held in Dorchester on Friday, May 31st.

Local independent councillor, Alistair Chisholm will share a platform at the Corn Exchange with Dorset Credit Union speaker Kaye Kerridge. The meeting is due to start at 7pm and is open to all.

The TUC-inspired campaign wants to see a "living wage" for Dorset of a minimum of £7.45 an hour.

Other meetings will be held in Bridport on Tuesday, May 28th at 7pm in the town hall and in Bournemouth, at the university, at 5.30pm on Wednesday, June 5th. The campaign has a local website – www.livingwagedorset.co.uk.

Got a story? Email our reporters
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Minister gets a grilling from Dorset's crime commissioner

DORSET'S Police and Crime Commissioner Martyn Underhill and the Chief Constable, Debbie Simpson have been bending the ear of a Government Minister about the county's poor funding deal.

The pair met with the Minister for Policing and Criminal Justice, The Rt Hon Damien Green MP, for 45 minutes - focusing on police funding, sponsorship, mobile data and Dorset's new Victim's Bureau.

The county has one of the lowest levels of Government funding per head of population which the Police Federation claim is stretching resources to the limit.

Mr Underhill said: "I am pleased with the response we received from the Minister...He has indicated his support to our approach to sponsorship providing the necessary caveats are in place.

"It will now be taken to the College of Polic-



DORSET'S Police and Crime Commissioner Martyn Underhill

by Trevor Bevins

ing for a national policy to be drawn up, with suitable safeguards to protect integrity and maintain the dignity of the Police."

Mr Underhill added: "We also spoke about

the budget cuts the force is facing and I stressed the need to re-address the funding formula for Dorset.

"The Minister has also agreed that Police and Crime Commissioners will be involved in the Police Funding Review Body.

"This is welcome news. It is crucial that Dorset is given fair representation."

It is the first time that the Minister for Policing and Criminal Justice Damien Green has held a joint meeting with a Police and Crime Commissioner and Chief Constable from the same force area.

Mr Underhill said: "It is evidence of the good working relationship that the Chief and I have developed.

"Whilst, I am the check and balance on the force, the Chief and I are strong leaders who share the same vision that by working together, we can create a safer Dorset."

Police save £500,000 by joining air service

DORSET Police will continue to provide a policing service from the air – after signing up to the National Police Air Service (NPAS).

Dorset Police and Police and Crime Commissioner for Dorset, Martyn Underhill, have negotiated with the Police National Air Service for the provision of air support to Dorset Police, replacing the force owned service.

The national service is a collaborative agreement involving all 43 police forces in England and Wales and will go live on July 3rd.

The final agreement has been achieved after several months of negotiations - and will see the cost of air support to Dorset residents reduce by more than £500,000 a year - while simultaneously improving coverage, availability and response times.

Effective air support is critical to Dorset Police and often provides the only tactical option to address major incidents, ranging from locating vulnerable missing people through to assisting in the tracking and apprehension of armed criminals.

The national service will also take responsibility for any future replacement helicopters, the cost of which would exceed £4million and would otherwise have to be met by local taxpayers.

In future, Dorset will benefit from the services of two helicopters, one covering the west of the force area and the second covering the east.

The current force helicopter, based at force headquarters in Wimfrith, will initially continue to operate from that site while the national team are investigating a number of alternatives for its permanent operating location.

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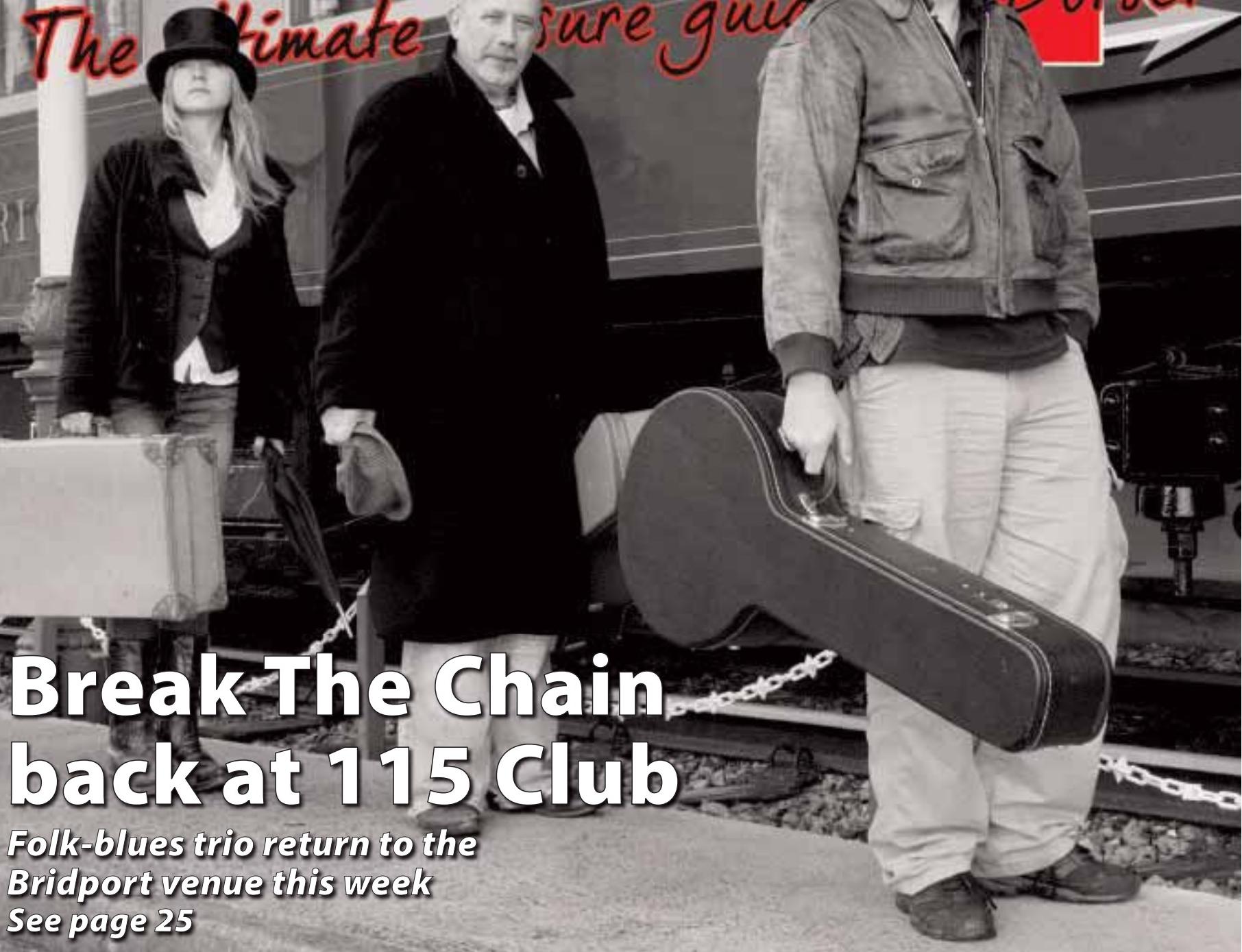


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REG MEUROSS' LEAVES AND FEATHERS' ALBUM LAUNCH

Fundraiser for Bridport Museum and the Electric Palace

TWO Bridport charities are working together to host the South West launch of highly acclaimed singer/songwriter Reg Meuross' latest Abbey Road album in a fundraising concert to be held at the Electric Palace on June 1st. In a collaborative fundraiser for both Bridport Museum and the Electric Palace, Reg will perform songs from his latest album 'Leaves & Feathers' to raise much needed funds for both charities.

The Somerset-based musician's clever and imaginative lyrics have earned Reg the title of "Master Storyteller", and prompted Mike Harding to introduce him onto the stage of the Royal Albert Hall as "one of the finest singer-songwriters this country has produced". His new album 'Leaves & Feathers' has prompted Pennyblack Music to comment: "calling Meuross a singer-songwriter really doesn't do the man justice. Meuross doesn't write lines of lyrics. He writes short stories then sets them to some of the most captivating melodies you'll ever hear... Meuross is one of the most talented

storytellers of our generation."

Reg's performances are warm and intimate and he brings to the stage a collection of extremely beautiful songs, performed with depth and often with humour. Reg has that rare gift of being able to touch people through his songs and performance, on a really human level.

Bridport Museum, founded in 1932, has maintained free entry since 2008 relies heavily on volunteers, and the Friends of Bridport Museum, to ensure it continues to thrive. The museum tells the story of the town's history, including the famous rope and net trade, plus seasonal temporary exhibitions and activities for children. Talks are available local groups and care homes with a range of educational loan boxes and presentations for schools. The busy Local History Centre helps visitors research their family and local history plus a large collection of historic images available to view. Both sites welcome visitors of all ages. Curator Emily Hicks says, "we are so pleased to welcome Reg back to Bridport, and extend many thanks to him for his generosity and support in helping us raise funds on June 1st".

Co-fundraiser and gig host Electric Palace was originally an art deco opera house and cinema. The building lay derelict for years before being bought at auction by a local family and reopened as an arts venue. The Electric Palace has established a charity to support community initiatives and artistic development. "We need to improve the facilities at the Electric Palace in order to be able to offer this support constructively" explains owner Peter Hitchin. The Electric Palace provided the stunning backdrop for the 'Leaves & Feathers' album cover, with photography by Bridport's own Peter James Millson, also a singer/songwriter, who will be supporting Reg for this concert. Reg says: "I chose Electric Palace for the photoshoot, and for my South West album launch, because it's one of the most beautiful and lovingly preserved theatres and I want to support the people who run it. They know what a special place it is and manage it accordingly". Reg will also be joined on stage by special guest Jess Vincent.

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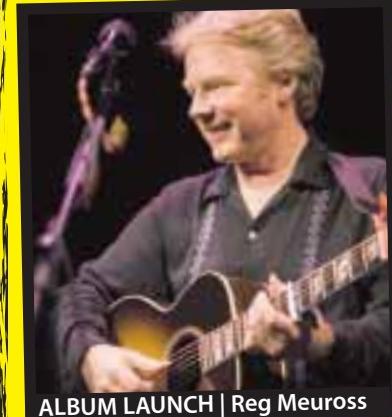
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AFTER their stunning production of A Christmas Carol Ballet Theatre UK are back with another delightful show Alice in Wonderland at Dorchester's Corn Exchange on Wednesday, June 5th and Thursday, June 6th at 7.30pm.

Come with Alice on a magical adventure as she tumbles into Wonderland!

Guided by the White Rabbit, Alice meets some astonishing characters, including the Mad Hatter, the Queen of Hearts, a studious caterpillar and those mischievous twins, Tweedledee and Tweedledum.

Basing his ballet on Lewis Carroll's much-loved children's books, Alice in

Wonderland and Through the Looking Glass, Ballet Theatre UK's Artistic Director Christopher Moore has created a captivating

piece, brimming with wit, humour and charm.

This is a joint promotion by Dorchester Arts and Dorchester Town Council.

Dorchester Arts Artistic Director Mark Tattersall said: "BTUK are one of the country's top touring companies and we are thrilled to be welcoming them back to the Corn Exchange with another original interpretation of a universally popular story".

Councillor Tony Lyall, Chairman of Dorchester Town Council's Arts Panel, said: "Alice in Wonderland will be another fantastic show and another great opportunity for residents to see ballet in the town."

With its whimsical flights of the imagination, wonderful music and joyful dance, Alice in Wonderland is delightful entertainment for all ages.

Tickets £15 / £13 / £11 are available from Dorchester Arts Centre 01305 266926 or Tourist Information Centre 267992 or online at: www.dorchesterarts.org.uk



JOHNNY MARR COMES TO BRIDPORT!

The Smiths' guitar legend to play at Electric Palace ahead of Stone Roses support

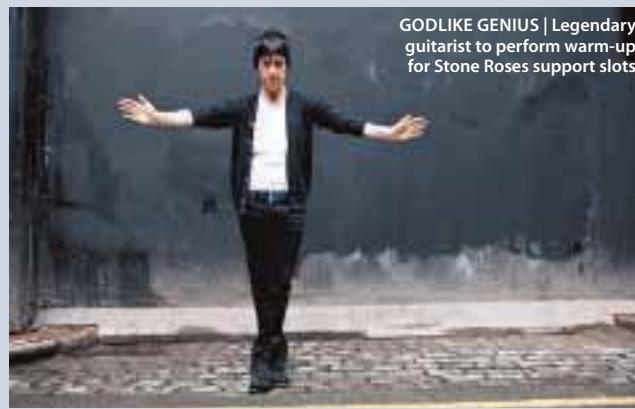
THE team at Bridport's Electric Palace is hugely excited to announce that the venue has once again been selected to host an exclusive warm-up gig - this time with legendary guitarist Johnny Marr on Friday, June 7th.

Johnny Marr, The Smiths' guitarist and founder, will perform an exclusive concert for a Bridport audience at the Electric Palace the day before two high-profile appearances at Finsbury Park (with the Stone Roses) and Heaton Park in Manchester, as well as Glastonbury Festival and many other large European festivals this summer.

Recent winner of NME's Godlike Genius Award, Johnny Marr formed The Smiths in 1982 when he was just 18, going on to become one of the most important bands in the history of music, with Johnny Marr one of the greatest guitarists the UK has ever seen. Post The Smiths, Marr has spent his time playing guitar in a succession of great acts including The Cribs. His debut solo album 'The Messenger' has just been released to much critical acclaim.

Johnny Marr is the latest booking for the Palace in a string of headline artists which this summer include Richard Hawley, Hugh Cornwell, The Christians, Al Murray and The Wedding Present. Don't miss out - tickets are likely to sell very fast!

Tickets, costing £19 (plus booking fee) are on sale now at www.seetickets.com or from Bridport TIC: 01308 424901. Early booking is highly advisable - we are anticipating a sell-out for this exclusive performance! Please note this is a standing gig.



Popular trio Break the Chain return to 115 Club

115 CLUB will host the hot three piece folk, blues and rock trio by the name of "Break the Chain", on the evening of Thursday, May 23rd. Bert Stone, Acacia Ann & Karl Weber mix up different styles on various instruments using varied influences from the likes of Bob Dylan, Etta James and Ray Charles. The performers were brought together by "A mutual love of music, lyrics and live performance". Only having been together since late 2011, they have already established themselves as a group like no other, performing at festivals and events in and around the West Country, to universal acclaim.

Acacia Anne began singing at the age of 16 in and around London. Now with many recorded original songs her voice and guitar make the harmony that is "Break the Chain".

Having toured with Genesis, The Cure, The Rolling Stones, and John Denver, Bert Stone is a fine singer/songwriter with a smooth vocal timbre. He brings acoustic and electric guitar and blues harp to the band.

Karl Webber, born in Detroit, and was playing The Missouri Waltz at the age of four! Today, an accomplished player of many instruments he has shared the stage with most famous musicians.

This promises to be a memorable evening - check out: www.breakthechain.org.uk

Pre-booking for hot buffet dinner (£10.00 per person) between 7pm and 8pm is essential and guests should telephone on the day (between 2pm and 6pm) to confirm numbers in their party. At which time they will be informed of the cover charge - anticipated at between £5 and £10 per guest. Unfortunately late-comers cannot be accommodated as dining must be completed before the music starts at about 9pm.

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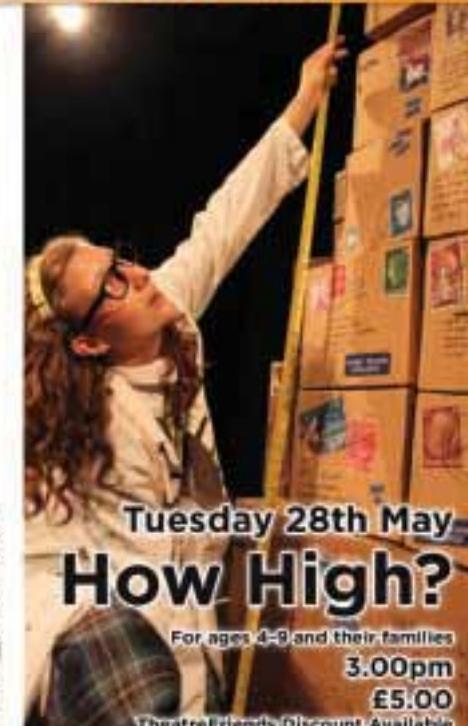
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Emma: West of Wessex Girl

An illustrated talk by Helen Gibson and Marilyn Leah

HELEN Gibson, honorary curator at Dorset County Museum, and Marilyn Leah, former custodian of Max Gate, Hardy's Dorchester home, discuss the life and work of Emma Gifford – first wife of Thomas Hardy, on Thursday, June 6th. This is a celebration of the life of a remarkable woman in words and images with reminiscences of her early life, her meeting with Thomas Hardy, the story of their courtship and their life together.

Emma Lavinia Gifford was the first Mrs Thomas Hardy. Diarist, Suffragette and Campaigner, Emma's own words describe her beliefs and convictions, and her artistic accomplishment is seen in images of her watercolours and sketches from the extensive Hardy Collection at Dorset County Museum.

Emma and Thomas married in 1874, and after eleven years of living in and around London, settled in Dorset at Max Gate, Dorchester, for the rest of their lives. European holidays, visits to friends, and extensive entertain-

ing at Max Gate, all added variety to their life there together.

Come and find out what Emma thought about her husband and others in her life, her thwarted ambition, independence of spirit, and the recollections of those who knew her.

Just before the talk on June 6th, between 6pm and 7pm, there will be the launch of a new book by JB Bullen: Thomas Hardy – The World of His Novels which explores the settings of Hardy's novels and shows how he shaped them to serve the needs of his characters and plots.

Entry to the book launch and to the talk is free but a donation of £3 is encouraged to cover costs. Everyone is welcome and there is no need to book.

A second Hardy event, a reading of Hardy's Love Poems by Furze Swann and Sue Theobald takes place at 1pm on June 13th.

Burton Bradstock popular village fayre this bank holiday

THE hugely popular Burton Bradstock Village Fayre will be held in the delightful Rectory Walled Gardens from 2.00pm to 4.30pm on Monday, May 27th.

Described by visitors as a traditional English event "Straight out of Midsomer Murders" it's an ideal afternoon out for all local and visiting families, with tests of skill for children and people of all ages, lots of stalls and games, ice creams, soft drinks, barbecue and renowned Dorset cream teas.

Featured again for children this year are Face and Nail Painting, supervised Obstacle Course for under 12s with prizes for winners, toy stall, sweet stall, coconut shy, "splat the rat" and many more!

You never know what bargains you will find for sale, and there is bound to be the usual queue of 'early birds' to search for that special piece of bric-a-brac, book, CD, soft toy, spring plant or delicious Dorset cake or jam, plus a fine cream tea in the Village Hall.

• Please note that a section of Church Road, Burton Bradstock outside the Village Hall will be temporarily closed from 12:00 to 18:00 on the day of the Fayre.



WESSEX FOLK FESTIVAL 2013 ALL SET TO BE THE BEST EVER!

THE annual Wessex Folk Festival is now just over a week away. It will be held from the May 31st to June 2nd and takes place around the harbourside and Hope Square area of Weymouth.

The festival committee are delighted with the amazing range and quality of acts they have managed to book this year – from shanty men to bagpipe rock acts to folk beat boxers, alongside the more traditional forms of folk music – there's certainly something for every taste and for all the family, and most of it is free!

Full listings: (timings will be in the programmes sold on the weekend):

Green Children of Wolfpit; Phillip Henry and Hannah Martin; Folklaw; The

Galleons; David Gibb and Elly Lucas; 4Square; Chris Jagger Trio; Paul Openshaw; Mitchell and Vincent; Ninebarrow; Senile Delinquents; Josie Lloyd; Clutching at Straws; Second Time Around; Bow Legged Skeeters; Reg Meuross; Exmouth Shanty Men; Andy Clarke and Steve Tyler; Wight Hot Pipes; Jez Hellard and the Djukella Orchestra; Wild Rover Set; Unprepared Jug Band; Spank the Plank; Island Voices; Moonshine.

The acts above can be seen for free at the two outdoor stages during Saturday and Sunday day time. There is also one special ticketed evening concert put on during the festival. We can confirm that this year it is Nick Dow, a renowned expert on the

folk songs of Dorset and the West Country. Every song Nick sings has a story attached to it, and his concerts are as informative as they are entertaining. Tickets can be purchased in advance at Imagine Books, St Albans Street, Weymouth (or via their website www.imaginebookshops.com).

In addition to the stages and concerts, there will be workshops (for example, you could learn to play the spoons, or brush up your ukulele playing skills); traditional music sessions in local pubs; a ceilidh in Hope Square; food and craft stalls alongside the harbour-side; and traditional dancing in the streets of Weymouth. More details on the website: www.wessexfolk.co.uk



THE ECHOES | Si Emmett, Mark Taylor and Rob Larcombe

THE ECHOES TO 'RAISE THE ROOF'

KEEPING things punchy and simple with guitar, bass, drums and vocals, The Echoes combine the three-piece dynamic of The Jam and early Green Day, with the raw garage sounds of the 60s, and the swagger of Britpop.

The local trio, formed at the very end of 2012, features Si Emmett (vocals/guitar), Rob Larcombe (bass/backing vocals), and Mark Taylor (drums). The Echoes are a predominantly covers-based band, playing songs by the likes of Chuck Berry, The Who and The Kinks, to Oasis, The White Stripes and Foo Fighters.

The Echoes will be performing at The Royal Standard, Lyme Regis this Saturday (May 25th) from 9pm, and at The Marine Theatre, Lyme Regis on Friday, June 7th, with doors opening at 7.30pm. Tickets for the Marine Theatre gig, costing £6, are available from Mulberry Manor in Lyme Regis, and the gig will be in aid of the Theatre's 'Raise The Roof' fundraising campaign. For more details visit www.marinetheatre.com/7th-june-the-echoes/

Dorset Art Fair June 1st & 2nd

DORSET Art Fair is a dynamic weekend event celebrating the visual arts. Organised by Dorset Visual Arts (DVA), the event takes place at the impressive Kingston Maurward House, Dorchester, on 1st and 2nd June.

Both days will feature exhibitions, artworks for sale, demonstrations, screenings and the opportunity to enjoy the spectacular grounds, with an exciting Art Party taking place on the Saturday night. As well as being an entertaining event for the public with a wide variety of affordable work on sale, artists will find plenty of opportunities to network and learn from each other. The entrance space will feature artist Hollie Mackenzie's award-winning sculpture 'Downfall'.

DVA Director Jem Main says, "This is a new event, very different from a craft fair. We urge people to come and support it so we can make it a fixture in the calendar just like the much loved Dorset Art Weeks. There is much on view that's both special and affordable. In addition to the quality and vitality of the work, there will be both graduate and experienced artists to talk to and learn from – many of the exhibitors have impressive credentials and reputations."

And there's the Saturday evening Art Party too! This includes a special dance performance by Pavilion Dance's dancer-in-residence, Elodie Escarmelle. The piece has been conceived in response to observations of artists working in ceramics and

glass-blowing. The impressive Andy Grant Trio provides great blues and other music; bring a picnic and enjoy all this in a glorious setting.

DVA is working with other organisations to make this an exciting event. The library will showcase examples from the new Dame Elisabeth Frink and Mary Spencer Watson archives held by Dorset History Centre, and demonstrations in stone carving, wood turning and raku will take place on the terrace. Galleries and craft centres such as Sladers Yard, The Art Stable, Art-Wave West and Walford Mill Crafts will also be present. There's free car parking and an on-site café – and there are good grounds for a picnic!

For more details see the advert (right).

THE UNICORNS ARE COMING!

Devon-based PuppetCraft bring new show to Bridport Arts Centre

THE latest show from PuppetCraft, the masterful Devon-based puppet company is coming to Bridport. "Nobody Rides The Unicorn" is a gentle absorbing show, based on the picture book by well-loved poet/playwright Adrian Mitchell. A script has been specially written for PuppetCraft by Adrian and his daughter Sasha, while the look of the show re-creates the book's beautiful illustrations by Cornish artist Stephen Lambert.

Two performers conjure up the magical world of the Unicorn, a greedy King, his cunning aide Doctor Slythe and an innocent young girl, using superbly crafted puppets, original live music, lyrical words, song and sound effects. Although there are only two performers, the show is the result of five month's hard work by a team of 12 artists, composers, writers, carvers, welders, painters and technicians.

PuppetCraft has been touring quality, inventive Puppet Theatre for over 22 years. It makes all its own puppets and sets, and devises shows and workshops for a wide range of audiences: children, families and adults.

The shows are noted for wonderfully crafted puppets in stunning sets with atmospheric lighting and specially composed live music. The content of shows extends from traditional folklore, to original modern tales.



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- Blues and other music by Andy Grant Trio
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- Evening raku firing
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UNTIL SUNDAY JULY 14TH

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UNTIL WEDNESDAY JUNE 5TH

LYME REGIS: Exhibition 'Flora Fauna Pots and People' at The Town Mill from 10.30am–4.30pm daily. Free admission. For more details visit www.townmillartsguild.com

WEDNESDAY MAY 22ND

UPLYME: Talk 'Carnivorous Plants' by Dennis Balsdon at Uplyme Village Hall. The talk will cover the natural history and cultivation of carnivorous plants. There will be a display and plant sales. Organised by Uplyme and Lyme Regis Horticultural Society. Members free Non Members £2 Details 01297 444034 or www.ulrhs.wordpress.com/

BRIDPORT: John Lipscombe talk on 'The Other Bridport Chemist' in the Town Hall at 7.30pm. This will follow a brief AGM for the Friends of Bridport Museum, and is open to the public, no pre-booking necessary. Entry fee: £4.50, Friends of the Museum £4.00.

THURSDAY MAY 23RD

BRIDPORT: Quiz & Coffee & Chat at Beach & Barnicott upstairs at 2.30pm. Located in Bridport. Organised by 50 Plus Circle of Friends. An easy and comfortable way of meeting and making new friends. Please call Jennifer at 01308 538395 for more info

CHIDECK: James Hickman and Dan Cassidy play transatlantic folk music, inspired by the traditions of America and Britain. Look for them on YouTube to hear their amazing music. Includes a three course dinner all for £15.00 Tickets from Guy on 01297 489231. Further info on 01297 489121. Bring your own drinks and glasses. In aid of St Giles Church. Park in North Road or in village car park next to shop.

THURSDAY MAY 23RD - SUNDAY JULY 14TH

LYME REGIS: Keith Robinson: 'Jurassic Dreams'. An exhibition of work by Keith Robinson, a children's illustrator and creator of the Lyme Regis town map. In the Rotunda Gallery, Lyme Regis Museum from 10am–5pm daily.. Meet the artist preview from 6–8pm at the Lyme Regis Museum. For more details visit www.lymeregisfest.com or www.lymeregismuseum.co.uk

SATURDAY MAY 25TH

BRIDPORT: May Fair on the Millennium Green from 12noon–3pm. There will be the usual stalls for crafts and local organisations, BBQ and Cream Teas. The May Queen will be crowned at 1pm by the Chairman of West Dorset District Council, Cllr. Gillian Summers. This will be followed by Maypole Dancing. A display will be given by Bridport Dog Training Club. Vintage Motor Cycles will be on display. Anyone wishing to have a stall please telephone Daphne Mundy on 01308 422286.

BRIDPORT: Vinyl Saturday Record and CD Fair United Church East St. 10am till 4pm, Admission £1 plus many shops and market stalls around town also selling records and CDs. Further info call 07429 102645 or vinylsaturday.co.uk

SUNDAY MAY 26TH & MONDAY MAY 27TH

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MONDAY MAY 27TH

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TUESDAY MAY 28TH

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WEDNESDAY MAY 29TH

LYME REGIS: Lyme Bay Photographic Club pub quiz at the Inn Plaice at the Pilot Boat Inn. Starts 7.30pm.

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Kevin will be accompanied on the piano by Andrew Daldorp. Kevin is the conductor of the East Devon Clarinet Choir and the Torquay Clarinet Choir. In 2012 and 2013 he ran master classes at the Cardiff Clarinet Convention. He plays with the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra.

The concert takes place on Saturday, June 8th at 7.30pm. Tickets £10 on the door: under 18's and students free.

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Summer Afternoon Strings

YOU can hear a lovely selection of chamber music, including Pachelbel's famous Canon, at St Swithun's Church in Bridport, at 3pm on Sunday, May 26th, followed by home-made cakes and tea.

Local cellist and vet, Robin Carpenter, will be playing a concerto by Georg Monn with the Bridport Chamber Orchestra. Robin says he discovered the cello while at Marlborough Grammar School and has loved it ever since. He studied with Michael Evans of the Dartington String Quartet and is now lead cellist with the Taunton Sinfonietta and the Bridport Chamber Orchestra.

Robin plays regularly in a wide variety of groups, including chamber music and choral concerts. Currently he is playing a cello made by Tony Padday in Shepton Mallett, so his West Country connections run right through to his choice of instrument.

Other music will include music written for the film "The 49th Parallel" by Vaughan Williams. Tickets at £8 are available from the Book Shop and Music Shop in Bridport and on the door; students have free entry.



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Choice

It doesn't seem that long ago that the choice for colour was either magnolia or 'tint with a hint'. Nowadays there are endless possibilities and, as with clothes, the major companies bring out new colours each season. One minute acid green is all the rage, the next it's the 'new neutrals'. It is easy to be overwhelmed by the choice. Even sticking to tried and tested white can have its pitfalls.

Pitfalls

You may know exactly which colours you want to use but you can still hit a stumbling block. Why does the colour that looked so great in the tin look insipid and lifeless on the walls? What's more, you've spent hours trying to get everything to match exactly, but your room has just ended up looking bland.

Colour schemes

Planning and carrying out your own colour schemes is easy once you understand the principles of colour. Interior designers often seem to have a built-in instinct for what goes with what, and it's true, relying on your instincts and playing around is one of the best ways of learning. But although paint is relatively cheap, doing out a whole room with soft furnishings and accessories only to realise it doesn't work, can be an expensive mistake. Designers have been trained and many use a simple colour wheel to make sure their designs are going to work.

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A personal message from Josh Dutfield

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The most obvious place to put an extra bedroom is upstairs, with all the others, and sometimes it's possible to use the space you already have.

For example, if the main bedroom spans the front of the house, you may be able to divide it in two, as long as each room has its own, separate window. This may not be as satisfactory as adding space, but it can work well if your home's big enough and you're on a limited budget.

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The cheapest and easiest loft conversions are ones with skylights (eaves conversions), as the line of the roof is unchanged. However, this isn't ideal if the loft has limited space.

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The pitch of the roof can make a big difference to how useable the space is - some lofts don't have enough head height to make the conversion worthwhile unless you lower the ceilings in the rooms below. This is a big and expensive job and won't be practical if the ceilings are already quite low.

You also need room for a good-sized staircase up to the loft on the floor below and if this means losing a bedroom, you may not gain much by converting the loft.

Creating a downstairs bedroom, and preferably a bathroom or shower room next to it, can work better, providing your home's layout is suitable.

Ground-floor extensions are usually used to add kitchen, dining and living space, but they can include bedrooms.

Another way to add a bedroom is converting your home's garage (or outbuildings) into one. If the garage is mostly used for storage and the stuff can be stored elsewhere, the garage may be more useful and valuable as a bedroom, as long as it's converted properly and sympathetically.

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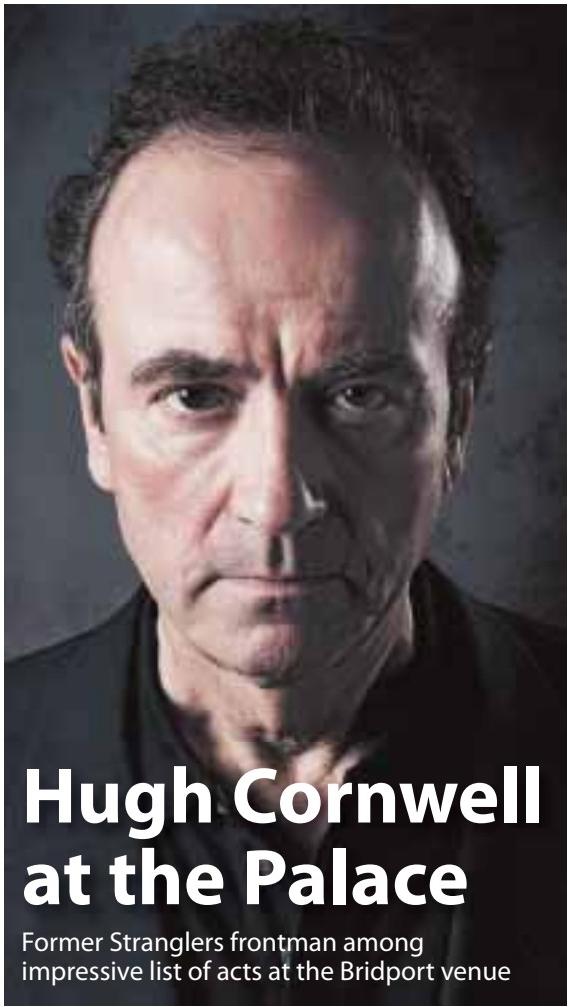
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Hugh's new studio album 'Totem And Taboo', Recorded at Electrical Audio Studios in Chicago, and engineered and mixed by the legendary Steve Albini has received rave reviews on its release and this exclusive performance with his band at Bridport's Electric Palace will feature the new songs, as well as all the classic Stranglers material.



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MOJO

There will be support from Adrien Munden, frontman with cult rock heroes Audioporn. He has toured his solo material previously with Hugh Cornwell and played alongside legends Roy Harper and Bert Jansch. Expect fluid percussive acoustic guitar intertwined with lyrical themes of positive resistance from a modern day troubadour.

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Mark Owen added to Camp Bestival line-up!

The Take That man is joined on the bill by Valerie June, Skimmity Hitchers, The Nextmen and more



WITH summer holidays around the corner, it's not long until the return to Lulworth Castle for a festi-holiday weekend of fun and frolics for all the family from August 1st-4th. And the Camp Bestival crew are leaving no stone unturned to make sure this year's Camp Bestival is another absolute corker.

There really is something for everyone in this year's line-up, and organisers are very excited indeed to now unveil a host of brilliant new acts that cover all bases, from huge pop stars like the very special guest Mark Owen to brilliant local faves and beyond who will be joining the likes of Labrinth, Richard Hawley, Levellers, Ash, The Proclaimers, Horrible Histories, Mr Tumble, Erth's Dinosaur Zoo, Alan Davies, Dick n Dom, Matthew Bourne's New Adventures The Brit School and many more!

With his first solo album in eight years, 'The Art of Doing Nothing', due out in June, Camp Bestival is very pleased to announce that Take That's very own Mark Owen will be joining us at Lulworth Castle. With a hit-packed career spanning 20 years, Mark is one of the UK's biggest pop stars and along with his brilliant four-piece band he will be the soundtrack to a mega ladies night out on Saturday at Camp Bestival, playing not only his new and much loved solo material, but also a tantalising selection of big Take That anthems too!

As Mark Owen said today, "Just about everybody I know with a family has told me how wonderful Camp Bestival is and said 'You've got to go!' I've got my Winnebago on order - see you there!"

But that's not all - we have plenty more top live music for your delectation, including Memphis chanteuse Valerie June who has been blowing away crowds with her mixture of folk, blues, gospel, soul, Appalachian and bluegrass music and her utterly magical vocals. If you haven't caught her live yet, we guarantee this is one not to miss. There will also be live appearances from unique

solo acoustic artist Cherishport, Dorset blues behemoth Red River Hogs, scrumpy'n'western phenomenon Skimmity Hitchers and New Forest duo Phil & Tilley.

Joining an already legendary line-up of amazing DJs that includes Grandmaster Flash, Sasha and Andrew Weatherall (in his A Love From Outer Space guide with Sean Johnston), organisers are very pleased to announce that deck-wrecking duo The Nextmen are joining David Rodigan MBE's Ram Jam line-up alongside Venum Sound and MC Wrec. Plus there will be high octane party flavours from the inimitable Russ Cuban, reggae and hip-hop mash-up madness from Jstar, divine turntable manoeuvres from Dick Kurtaine, eclectic treasures from Rev Milo Speedwagon, tubular sounds from Rowan Chernin (Chairman Of The Board Surf), rockin' roots and psych love from In Light Of Aquarius and certified dancefloor devastation from Camp Bestival favourite Shepdog.

With a whole world of discovery for kids, plus the best in music, arts and culture it's no wonder that weekend tickets are flying out of the door, so you're going to have to get a move on if you want to guarantee a whole weekend enjoying the festi-holiday treats. But, due to popular local demand from the brilliantly supportive people of Dorset, Camp Bestival organisers are once again putting a very limited number of day tickets on sale now.

Adult day tickets will cost £60 per day, Age 15-17 day tickets are £35 per day, Age 11-14 day tickets are £30 per day and Age 10 and under day tickets are free (but you must obtain a ticket) and will be available in person from Lulworth Castle and Lulworth Heritage centre, as well as through the usual Camp Bestival ticket agents.

We've still got a few little surprises up our sleeves, so do keep an eye on www.campbestival.net and our Facebook and Twitter.

LYME FOLK WEEKEND SET TO BE A HUGE HIT

PLANS for Lyme Regis's first folk festival are in full swing, with a host of free events being held in the town at the end of August.

Organisers of Lyme Folk Weekend, which is taking place from August 30th to September 1st this year, have been overwhelmed by the response from local people who are clamouring to take part in what they hope will be one of the most memorable events of the season.

There has been a big demand for tickets to the festival's headline music sessions in the Marine Theatre, with each session heading for a sellout, and now organisers are turning their attentions to the 'out and about' schedule of events taking place in the pubs, cafes and open spaces of Lyme.

'We think there is something for everyone,' said a festival spokesman. 'We have free music and dancing on the seafront all weekend, with free workshops and open mic sessions for adults and children. There are stone-balancing workshops, story-telling sessions,

dance lessons and some great music to be heard all round the town all weekend.'

The weekend will kick off with a parade down Broad Street and along the seafront, and taking part will be the Dorset Dub Club, who will be bringing their classic VW camper vans for a trip to the seaside!

Organisers have also been delighted by the response from Lyme's shops and traders, who have promised their full support for the festival. The Town Mill Brewery will again be joining up with their

friendly rivals the Mighty Hop and Chideock-based Art Brew to run a beer festival in the Town Mill Malt-house throughout the Folk Weekend.

'It really is shaping up into something that will bring the summer to a close with a bang,' said the spokesman. 'The summer in Lyme is full of brilliant events, and we'd like to round it all off with a party.'

Tickets for Marine Theatre shows are still available at: www.lymefolk.com



▼ Children's Morris dance workshop, being run by The Great Caper (a free event at Lyme Folk Weekend).



▼ Sam Goodburn, British unicycle champion will be performing.

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The whole property is presented in good decorative order and has been updated with a modern fresh approach. Well worth internal viewing. No forward chain. £165,000 for the 50% shareholding.

For more information please call Fortnam Smith & Banwell Charmouth on 01297 560945



Symonds and Sampson Beaminster welcomes Kate Wiscombe to the team

JEREMY Smith, branch manager of Symonds & Sampson estate agents in Beaminster is seen here welcoming Kate Wiscombe to his highly successful Beaminster Office. Jeremy commented "over the last five or six months myself and my team have noticed huge levels of increased business in the Beaminster office, for example our sales pipeline has increased by over 300% since the start of the year and we now have a property stock of circa 100. We felt it was the right time to expand our sales team to provide our vendors and applicants alike with an even higher level of service. Kate cut her teeth under me in the hugely competitive Clifton, Bristol market while I was running the area for Connells. Subsequently she relocated to Dorset with her now husband and family. She has also spent a number of years working for a reputable independent estate agency in Dorchester. Therefore, when my current vacancy needed to be filled Kate was a clear and obvious choice. She is well known for her outstanding levels of customer service and she will bring huge levels

of experience and drive to my already motivated team". Kate commented "it is funny having not worked for Jeremy for ten years that once again we should be reunited in the estate agents industry, but I cannot wait to get started in my new role in Beaminster and very much looking forward to working along side Erica, Jane and Denise".

Jeremy concluded "we have had a fantastic start to 2013, however we do need more properties to sell, so if you are considering selling or are on the market without success, why not contact myself or any of my sales team on 01308 863100 to book your free market appraisal".



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FOUR MEADS FARMHOUSE, LITTON CHENY - £2350 PER CALENDAR MONTH

LUCY Nolan, Manager of Symonds & Sampson Bridport and Beaminster Lettings Department is very proud to offer this superb detached modern farmhouse to rent in a secluded location in the sought after Bride Valley.

Lucy commented "It's very rare that a property of this calibre comes to the lettings market and Symonds & Sampson are delighted to have been the Landlords choice of Letting Agent".

The property has recently been extended and renovated to a high standard throughout and no expense has been spared on the high quality fixtures and fittings. Boasting very spacious accommodation including large kitchen diner with bifolding

doors opening to a patio area, lounge, office, utility room, six bedrooms and five bathrooms. The master bedroom has a balcony which enjoys uninterrupted country views. Surrounding the property is a fully enclosed lawned garden with patio area and off road parking.

Symonds & Sampson are advertising the property for £2350 per calendar month and it is available immediately. A viewing is highly recommended so the size and quality of this beautiful home can be appreciated. To arrange a viewing call 01308 459565. Further information can also be obtained by visiting www.symondsandsampson.co.uk using web reference BRL070024



LYME REGIS - £435,000

THE Moorings is a large detached double fronted property built around 1919 that has been improved and updated by the current owners.

It offers flexible accommodation that comprises, three double bedrooms with the master being en suite. A large bright lounge that opens to the conservatory. Kitchen with built in appliances/breakfast room, a self-contained one bedroom annexe and private enclosed gardens, parking and garage. The property is conveniently located only a short walk from the town and sea. No chain.

Lyme Regis is famed for its many historic connections and character buildings, and of course, for its well known Cobb Harbour. As a resort, it is considered quite unspoilt, but has most of the shops and amenities that one could require, in addition to which there are nu-

merous leisure activities including both sailing and power boat clubs, a cliff top golf course and a bowling club. The whole coastline with Lyme Regis and Charmouth at its centre has recently been designated a World Heritage Site (and is commonly known as the Jurassic Coast). It lies approximately 5 miles from the market town of Axminster, with its main line railway connections to Waterloo (Approx. 2 3/4 hours). The market town of Bridport is approximately 7 miles distant, with Taunton and Exeter within a radius of about 30 miles with access to the M5 motorway. The county town of Dorchester is within a similar distance.

A viewing is highly recommended to appreciate all this property has to offer. Please call Fortnam Smith & Banwell Estate Agents on 01297 445666 to arrange a viewing.



MELPLASH - £485,000

FOREST Oak is an individual, detached chalet bungalow situated within its own grounds in a quiet village. The property offers spacious accommodation throughout and has been well maintained by the current vendor. Originally built in the 1960s, the property has been extended to incorporate the large kitchen/breakfast room, family room and bedroom five. In more recent years the property has undergone numerous internal improvements including a high-specification kitchen and modern wet room. The ground floor offers flexible accommodation with four reception rooms and two bedrooms, with three further bedrooms situated on the first floor. The property benefits from double-glazing throughout and oil-

fired central heating with the fireplace's back-boiler heating a couple of the radiators independently. Solar panels are mounted on the kitchen roof and aid the electricity consumption. Outside there is a gated driveway offering ample parking, double garage with workshop, outside store and large lawned gardens with vegetable plot and greenhouse. An internal viewing is highly recommended.

The asking price for Forest Oak is £485 000. To receive particulars or to arrange a viewing please contact Elder & Froy at our Beaminster office on 01308 862606. To view the full sale particulars and floor plans please go to www.elderfroy.co.uk.



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Three bedroom end of terrace property in a sought after village with off street parking and garage. Patio area to rear. Oil fired central heating. EPC Band D. Available immediately.

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AXMINSTER - £189,000



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CHARMOUTH - £625,000



Dating from the early 1800's Melbourne House is a substantial Four Bedroom Period House with a separate studio and large gardens. It has been extended and fully renovated in recent years and offers spacious and flexible accommodation with many attractive period features.

CHARMOUTH - £365,000



VILLAGE LOCATION. Three-bedroomed detached house situated in a quiet cul-de-sac in the sought-after Coastal Village of Charmouth. Level walking distance of village amenities, the beach and Charmouth Primary School. EPC - D

CHARMOUTH - £247,000



A charming 2/3 bedroom period end-of-terrace cottage with an attractive garden bordering the River, with the benefit of gas central heating, new wiring, recently fitted kitchen and redecorated to a good standard throughout the property. EPC - D

CHARMOUTH - £399,000



Detached three/possibly four bedroom bungalow, with garage and parking. Set in 0.5 acres of gently sloping gardens with views towards the Marshwood Vale. The property has potential to develop the attic rooms into a fantastic master suite (subject to Planning Permission) creating the fourth bedroom. EPC - D

CHARMOUTH - £589,000



A detached split level bungalow consisting of three bedrooms, two bathrooms and a lower ground floor area in need of developing. The property is situated on a large elevated plot on the western side of the COASTAL village of Charmouth. Development potential. No onward chain. EPC Band rating D

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LYME REGIS - £129,950



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LYME REGIS - £435,000



LYME REGIS - £179,950



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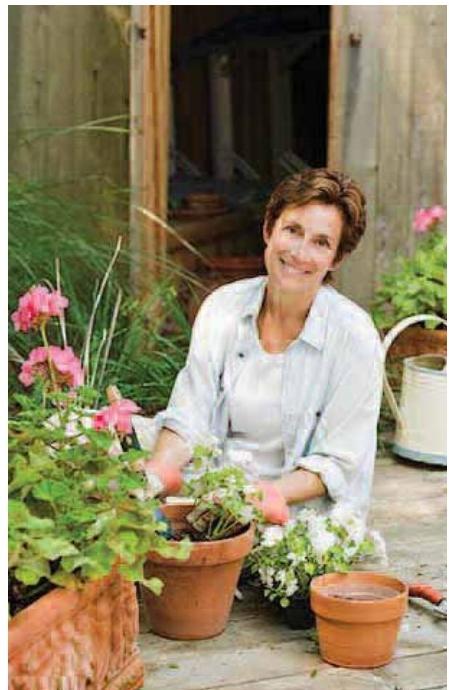
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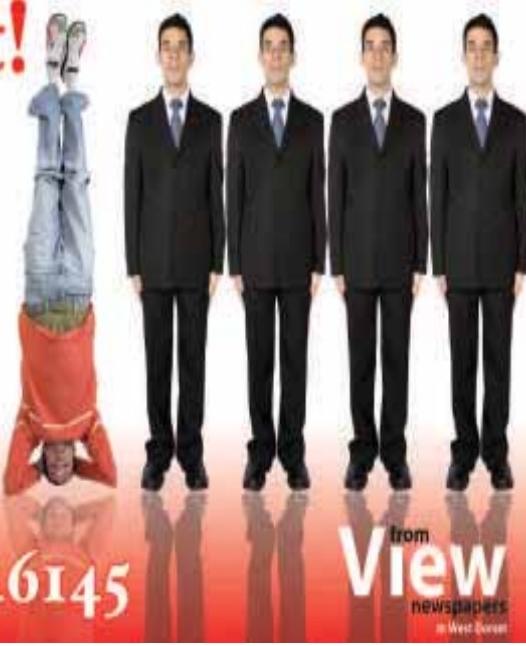
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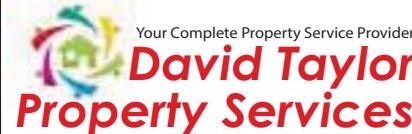
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Honest John honours high performance Audi RS 4 Avant

Audi RS 4 Avant takes the title of Most Popular High Performance Car at this year's Honest John Awards

THE formidable Audi RS 4 Avant has captured the imagination of honestjohn.co.uk readers to such an extent over the past year that it has been voted Most Popular High Performance Car in the 2013 Honest John Awards, based on sheer volume of page views.

Users of the leading consumer website - which logs around 1.5 million hits each month - registered the highest number of page views for the RS 4, measured between April 2012 and April 2013, resulting in a category win for the absorbing eight-cylinder super Avant.

Dan Harrison, Editor of honestjohn.co.uk, commented: "While crossovers and family hatchbacks may seem the obviously popular markets, performance and sports cars take a big share of views on honestjohn.co.uk – usually the more powerful the better."

"And it's easy to see why the thunderously quick Audi RS 4 Avant has proved so popular. A Big V8 engine, 450hp and quattro

all-wheel-drive along with estate car practicality make it unique. That combination certainly appeals to our users who clearly love it."

Commenting on the award, Di-

rector of Audi UK, Martin Sander said: "We are very proud of the RS 4 Avant, and very pleased that it has proved to be such a hit with the knowledgeable and well informed readers of the re-

spected Honest John website. The enthusiasm of audiences like these has of course been a key factor in the success of our RS range, and it's something that we value highly."



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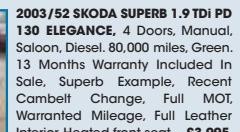
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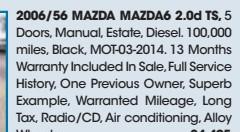
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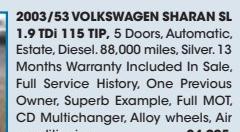
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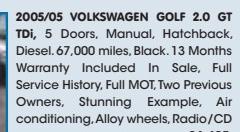
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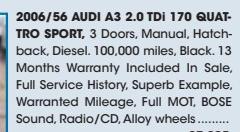
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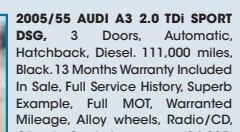
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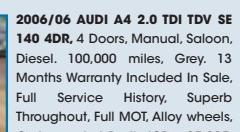
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- Volvo Car UK has extended its Approved Used Car programme to include cars up to seven-years-old
- The move is a response to consumer behaviour as motorists looking for a slightly older Volvo recognise the benefit in purchasing from an approved dealer.
- The extension of the scheme also reflects the increasing reliability of modern vehicles

VOLVO Car UK has announced an extension to its Approved Used Car Programme to include vehicles up to seven-years-old.

The scheme, called Volvo Selekt, has been widened from vehicles up to five-years-old to incorporate vehicles up to seven years old as long as they have travelled less than 100,000 miles.

By increasing the age of the vehicles eligible to be sold under the scheme, VCUK is providing its 110-strong retail network with access to even more cars at a time when demand has increased among used car buyers for older, higher mileage vehicles.

The move also reflects the change in consumer behavior as motorists are keeping their vehicles longer both as a result of the economic climate and the improved reliability of modern cars. According to the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders (SMMT), the average age of cars on the road in 2011

was 7.44 years – two months older than the previous year.

Comments Bruce Greenwood, VCUK used car programme manager: "We have responded to the wishes of our retail network who in turn are reacting to the demands of today's car buyer. Used car buyers are increasingly open to vehicles which are slightly older and with higher mileage."

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Blake finally beats rival

DORCHESTER'S Paul Blake was absolutely delighted this week having beaten one of his Russian archrivals for the first time over 800m.

Blake beat former world record holder and 2008 Beijing Gold medallist Artem Arefyev in the Nelli Cooman Games in Stadskanaal, on Sunday, winning by almost eight seconds in a time of 2:09:41.

Arefyev had taken silver in the 2012 London Paralympics last summer just ahead of the 23-year-old Blake who won the bronze, and it looked like the trend would continue when the Russian beat him in Groningen four days earlier in the second of the IWAS Series of races held in the Netherlands.

However a change of tactics saw the affable Blake streak home and give him a huge psychological boost.

Talking exclusively to View Sport he said: "I am obviously delighted to have finally beaten Artem over 800m.

"Going into the races I was troubled by a problem in my right calf and thought I might have to withdraw. I had been doing some tough training schedules and I just felt it playing up a bit.

"Fortunately we had a couple of days free before the first race, a 400m in Emmeloord which helped, and although it wasn't a great performance, and the competition wasn't hot, I finished second to a T46 athlete, but won my T36 category in a time of 56 seconds.

"We moved on to Groningen last Wednesday. I decided to sit in behind from the start, as did Arefyev, but it was too slow, around 70 seconds, and so I decided to kick on with a lap to go.

"I opened up a gap of around 40 metres, but slowly Artem ran me down and with 20 metres to go we were shoulder to shoulder. He is a bigger, stronger athlete than me however, and he got me on the dip, winning in 2:11:41 with me on 2:11:91."

In the third meeting at Stadskanaal, Blake changed his tactics and decided to take charge of the race from the start.

"Artem has a lot of endurance but doesn't have the speed that I do, and so I decided to take it out from the gun.

"I soon established a good lead and won by around 50 metres in a time of 2:09:41, some eight seconds clear of Arefyev and 2.5 seconds quicker than in Groningen.

"As this was my first races back since the Paralympics I was absolutely delighted with my times, and am confident that I can better my PB's this year."

Blake's next race is the German Championships in Berlin starting June 14th where he will be competing in the 200m and 400m.



VICTORY: Paul Blake has claimed the scalp of his great Russian rival Artem Arefyev

Kangaroos set to miss out on Division Four promotion

DORSET FOOTBALL ROUND-UP RESULTS

Tuesday, May 14th

Dorset Premier League

Hawthorpe Utd Res 1 Holt Utd 2

Senior League

Okeford Utd 3 Sturminster Newt Utd 1

Dorset League Division Four

Weymouth Spartans v AFC Blandford

Wednesday, May 15th

Dorset Premier League

Bridport Res 4 Wareham Rangers 1

Portland Utd 3 Chickerell Utd 1

Sherborne Res 0 Swanage & Herston 0

Senior League

Weymouth Sports 2 Mere Town 4

Dorset League Division Three

Bere Regis Res a/w/o The Belvedere Inn

Dorset League Division Five

Swanage & H A 3 Pimperne Society 1

Thursday, May 16th

Senior League

Upwey and Broadwey 4 Sturminster Utd 1

Dorset League Division Two

Shaftesbury Town Res 5 Wareham Res 0

Friday, May 17th

Senior League

Okeford United 4 Kingston Lacy 3

Saturday, May 18th

Dorset Premier League

Chickerell Utd 0 Shaftesbury Town 1

Hamworthy Utd Res 3 Bridport Res 3

Portland Utd 4 Poole Borough 0

Tintinhull 3 Weymouth Res 0

Wareham Rang 2 Swanage & Herst 2

Senior League

Sturminster Utd 1 Upwey & Broadwey 2

League Division One

Milborne Sports 2 South Cheriton 0

Wincanton Res 2 Poole Borough Res 1

Dorset League Division Four

Weymouth Spartans 0 AFC Blandford 8

Dorset League Division Five

Maiden N&C Res v Marnhill

Swanage & Herst A v Kangaroos Res

Fixtures

Tuesday, May 21st

Premier

Portland Utd v Blandford United

Tuesday, May 21st

Dorset League Division Five

Swanage & H A v Kangaroos Reserves

AS THEY STAND

Premier

Portland Utd33 28 2 3 81 86

Wincanton34 25 5 7 60 80

Holt Utd34 22 3 9 30 69

Ham Rec34 19 5 10 51 62

Tintinhull34 19 4 11 9 61

Weymouth Res34 15 6 13 1 47

Bridport Res34 13 8 13 9 47

Chickerell Utd34 13 8 13 -1 47

Parley Sports34 14 4 16 -6 46

Wareham Ran34 12 8 14 5 44

Shaftesbury34 12 8 14 28 44

Blandford Utd33 15 1 17 -15 43*

Ham Utd Res34 17 3 17 -13 35

Swanage & H34 11 5 18 -29 35*

Cranborne34 8 8 18 -43 32

Merley Cob34 8 5 21 -40 29

Sherborne Res34 7 7 20 -39 28

Poole Borough34 7 3 24 -56 24

Senior League

Mere Town25 22 2 15 60 62

Gillingham26 17 2 7 32 53

Upwey & Broa25 17 0 8 43 51

Witchampton26 16 3 7 15 51

Kingston Lacy26 14 4 8 17 46

Westland Spts26 13 2 11 16 41

Sturm Newt U26 10 11 36

Piddlethide26 9 4 13 -15 31

Stourpaine26 8 5 13 -18 29

Blandford Utd26 8 3 15 -20 27

Portland Utd26 6 4 16 -27 22

Okeford Utd24 6 4 14 -31 22

Sturminster M26 6 2 18 -34 20

Weymouth26 4 7 15 -39 19

Division One

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South Cheriton22 17 1 4 47 52

Milborne Spts22 14 2 6 29 40

Wincanton21 10 4 7 -2 34

Kangeros22 9 5 8 26 32

Bere Regis22 9 3 10 5 30

Swanage20 8 0 12 -28 24

Bridport A22 7 3 12 -24 24

Poundbury21 6 4 11 -16 22

Poole Boro22 6 3 13 -18 21

Chickerell22 5 1 16 -34 16

Merley Cob22 4 4 14 -46 16

Division Two

Balti House24 17 2 5 41 503

Dorchester Sp24 16 5 3 37 53

Weymouth Spar24 16 3 5 35 51

AFC Cobham24 15 2 7 33 47

Shaftesbury24 10 4 10 10 34

Gillingham A24 10 4 10 8 34

Portland Twn24 9 6 9 5 33

Corfe Castle24 10 2 12 -9 32

Wyke Regis24 8 4 12 -22 28

Wareham24 6 6 12 -25 24

Ship Inn, Wool24 5 14 -27 20

Sturminster24 6 1 17 -42 19

Donhead Utd24 5 2 17 -44 17

Division Three

Lytchett RT20 18 1 2 18 55

Piddlehinton20 13 4 3 33 43

Portesham20 10 3 7 6 33

Maiden N&C20 9 3 8 -9 30

Belvedere Inn20 5 6 5 29* 29*

Handley Spts20 8 4 8 -5 28

Stalbridge20 7 5 8 -10 28

Sturminster20 8 2 10 -9 26

Stickland Utd20 6 4 16 -11 18

Bere Regis Res20 2 5 13 -35 11

Owermeigne20 2 2 16 -47 8

Division Four

Mere Town18 13 1 4 44 40

Broadstone18 12 3 5 51 39

Blandford18 11 4 3 38 37

Puddletown18 11 3 4 20 36

Cranborne Res18 8 3 7 -12 27

UFC Pound'ry18 6 6 4 -4 24

Bishops Cau18 6 3 9 -2 21

Portland Res18 4 6 8 -14 18

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Weymouth Spar18 2 1 15 -65 1*

Division Five

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RUGBY ROUND-UP

Successful first season for Weymouth Girls U15s team



A GOOD START: Some of the Weymouth U15s girls squad pictured with their coaches and club officials.

Photo by CHRIS DAVIS

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INSIDE EDGE - The Dorset cricket scene

WITH STUART BROOM

Big win for Bridport as Poole 3rds are shot out for 38

Dorset Funeral Plan League

Premier League

DORCHESTER 144 ALL OUT LOST TO FERNDOWN

WAYFARERS 223 ALL OUT BY 79 RUNS

DORCHESTER, playing their first game at the Rec this campaign, could not stop Ferndown Wayfarers winning start to the season, despite a wonderful spell of bowling from spinner Aaron Oliver.

Opener Dean Elsworthy held the visiting innings together with a solid 69 and with good support from middle order batsmen Eric Linge (31), Leigh Dunham (42) and Neil Sexton (25) they amassed 223 all out.

Although there had been early success for captain Dan Belt (2-33) and Sam Goodhew (2-43), it was Oliver with a devastating spell of 4-7 from just 4.1 overs that saw the visitors from 202-4, losing six wickets for just 21 runs.

Dorchester found it difficult in reply against the bowling of R Stamass (1-19 from 9) and Linge (1-18 from 8.2) and wickets fell steadily with only Belt (36) and Shaun Little (38) offering any real resistance.

WEYMOUTH 158 ALL OUT LOST TO

STALBRIDGE 177 ALL OUT BY 19 RUNS

STALBRIDGE recovered well to leave Weymouth still looking for their first win of the season.

With Dave Trotter (2-20 from 10) once again in good form supported by captain Matt Lawes (2-24), Stalbridge's innings slumped to 102-8 before Reece Wilson took to the wicket. His whirlwind 66 helped the visitors to 177 all out, with Harry Tucker (2-36) claiming the last two wickets.

Weymouth started brightly with a 41 run first wicket stand but with Mark Chant (5-14) and Andrew Dike (2-32) causing them big problems.

Only Dean Janaway (30) and Lawes (16) got runs before Jim Ryall made a fight of it. His 51 from 62 balls lifted the hosts but they still fell short of their target, losing by 19 runs.

Division One

MARTINSTOWN 196-6 BEAT

SHROTON 195 ALL OUT BY 4 WICKETS

MARTINSTOWN continued their good start to the season with a good four wicket win. Shroton won the toss and decided to bat on what looked a good pitch which played well.

Chris Read (3-40) accounted for both openers, but Matt Pike held the Shroton innings together with an excellent 84 including 13 fours and one six.

Aided by Matthew Hewitt (25) and Tony Woolridge (24) they posted a respectable 195 all out with Matt Camp (3-38) and Liam Banfield (3-22) also among the wickets.

Ed Nichols started confidently and after losing Dave Herbert for a single with the score on 30, he and Lee House put on 74 for the second wicket before Nichols was caught and bowled by Woolridge for a fine 60 off fifty balls which included 8 fours.

Sam Kershaw (3) went cheaply but a quickfire 35 from skipper Danny Dancer from 32 ball took them quickly to their target.

House was run out one short of his half century but Martinstown cruised through to a good win.

Dancer said: "This was a good win on a fantastic batting pitch. I felt that 250 was probably a good score and I was happy that we managed to bowl them out for under 200. Chris Read was impressive, and Matt Camp and Liam Banfield bowled well during the middle overs."

"Unfortunately we dropped Pike, who was the major threat, quite early on in his innings with a difficult chance at first slip, but we managed to pick up wickets at the

right times.

"Ed batted superbly, and Lee picked his shots carefully and was unlucky not to get to 50 after a controversial run out decision.

"We fielded better this week; still some work to do but a move in the right direction, and lots of positives to take to Blandford next week"

Division Two

WITCHAMPTON 160-4 BEAT

BEAMINSTER 158 ALL OUT BY 6 WICKETS

BEAMINSTER travelled to Wimborne with a weakened side once again, but put in a spirited performance.

Opener Simon Jones was the backbone of the Beaminster innings with a fine 73 and with the support of Ross Baker (20), Will Everitt (27) and Hugh Rathbone (12) they mustered 158 all out.

Things looked promising for Beaminster in reply as Baker nabbed both openers with only seven on the board, and when he bowled I Broom (4) the home side were struggling at 21-3.

However, a superb unbeaten 89 from A Crocker with support firstly from S Ashford (25) and M Bowles (29no) saw them comfortably home. Baker finished with the excellent figures of 4-32 from 12 overs.

Division Three

CATTISTOCK 116 ALL OUT LOST TO

WIMBORNE & COLEHILL 3RD 127-8 BY 11 RUNS

CATTISTOCK were disappointed to have lost their unbeaten start to the season when they went down to Wimborne & Colehill 3rds by 11 runs, for whom it was their first victory.

The visitors batting first made very heavy weather of the job with S Wellington (27) and C Barker (26) in no hurry and after 34 overs they had only reached 80-3.

Martin Langford with an excellent 5-15 eventually broke them down as they finally finished on 127-8.

What seemed a relatively low target was dispelled when Jon Legg who has been in fine form since joining this season was dismissed in the second over.

Only Sam Barker (52) with his third consecutive half-century showed any resistance to A Loader (4-32), C Power (3-33) and E Bartlett (3-35) as they bowled the hosts out for just 116.

FERNDOWN WAYFARERS 2ND 249-4 BEAT

DORCHESTER 2ND 229 ALL OUT BY 20 RUNS

ASKED to bowl first, Dorchester 2nd's found it difficult to control the ball in the conditions which produced a lot of swing.

With the county town also not happy with some of the umpiring decisions, heads soon dropped and Ferndown made the most of it with opener Julian Snook (61) and Jason Thake with a superb 84 not out, leading the assault.

Jordan Warren weighed in with 34 late on in the innings with Peter Horne (2-41) the most successful county town bowler.

Colin Edney and Pete Phillips with 27 apiece got Dorchester off to a good start which was carried on by 14-year-old Gregg Holland making his debut for the 2nds until he was trapped leg before.

Captain Stuart Beasley (58) hit a fine half century with support from D Morris (24), Joe Power (21), C Clark (27) and Horne (17), but most perished going for big shots as they looked to overhaul their target.

Beasley said: "We knew their score was a big task, but Colin Edney and Pete Phillips gave us a good start."

"Everyone batted very well but all got out going for big shots trying to get the runs including me, but the boys should be proud of the effort that they put in trying to knock off the runs."

BROADSTONE 3RD 178 ALL OUT LOST TO PORTLAND RT 261-8 BY 83 RUNS

STALBRIDGE 2ND 135 ALL OUT BEAT

WEYMOUTH 2ND 117 ALL OUT BY 18 RUNS

WEYMOUTH 2nds appeared to be coasting to their first win of the season as Kieron Womble with an excellent half-century and Pete Gordon (18) put on 74 for the first wicket in less than 20 overs in reply to Stalbridge 2nds modest 135 all out.

However Womble (50) was dismissed on reaching his 50 and with only Matt Batchelor (22) and Hugh Lawes (13) making any real contributions, Weymouth collapsed to 117 all out, losing their last seven wickets for just 23 runs as Jake Trim (4-22) and Jason Ford (3-12) ripped through them.

Earlier Stalbridge had struggled against the bowling of Womble (4-32) and Lawes (4-42) with only James Lewis (32) and captain Rhys Horseman (34) showing any form, as supported by superb fielding. Weymouth dismissed them for 135 all out.

Division Four



◆ CALLUM Tucker - 6-15 as Charlton Down dismissed Beaminster 2nds for 52.

BRIDPORT 113 ALL OUT BEAT

POOLE TOWN 3RD 38 ALL OUT BY 75 RUNS

BRIDPORT continued their good opening form with a 75 run victory over Poole 3rds in a low scoring game.

Bridport batting first soon found themselves 25-5 with only Rod Gay (16) scoring more than a single of the top five batsmen. However Dom Gape and Ashley Nicholls steadied the boat and moved the total on to 53-6 before Nicholls (9) was dismissed.

Although the rest of Gape's partners only score one run between them, they ran well between the wickets and gave the Southampton footballer the strike. He was eventually out for a magnificent 61 as Bridport's innings closed on 113 all out.

Gape (5-14) and fellow opening bowler Alex Lee (5-21) then ripped through the Poole side, both claiming "fivefors" as Poole collapsed to 12-7 and eventually 38 all out with only skipper Lewis Barr (19) able to cope.

Bridport skipper Liam Toohill said: "Whilst the pitch played its part, most of us were guilty of playing off the back foot, when if we had played off the front foot we would have countered the problem."

"Ashley helped Dom slowly rebuild our score before Dom and Alex produced some great fast, full and accurate bowling to destroy them."

Division Five North & West

DORCHESTER 3RD 165 ALL OUT LOST TO

BRADFORD ABBAS 166-2 BY 8 WICKETS

DORCHESTER 3rds showed an improved batting performance this week with skipper Simon Joslin (53) and Mat Chalmers (37) putting on 80 for the first wicket, but it was 14-year-old all rounder Tom Blair who really caught the eye.

Fielding six under 15s, they got off to a good start after being inserted by the opposition captain.

Joe Holt also made a welcome return for the county town club with a useful 20 as Dorchester finished with a competitive 165 all out.

In return Dorchester enjoyed some early success with Blair taking an outstanding stinging catch off his own bowling to dismiss their opener and it was up to evergreen seamer Alan Osborne to snare the other victim, caught again by Blair.

Dorchester were a little short of bowling to apply any real pressure on this occasion, but with players returning to the fold soon this should soon be rectified.

Joslin said: "Dorchester CC showed great strength in depth by putting out three competitive sides this Saturday despite several unavailability's and with lads returning from Uni soon results, although not crucial at this level, are bound to improve."

"Performances and good technique are definitely what we are looking for from under 15s in particular and Tom Blair stepping up to open the bowling in the way he did at his age was outstanding. Thirteen year old Alex Peel also bowled well with an excellent line and length".

PORTLAND RED TRIANGLE 2NDS 116-2

BEAT MARTINSTOWN 2NDS 114 AO BY 8WKTS

PORTLAND RT kick started their 2013 campaign with an emphatic win over local rivals Martinstown and it was one of the clubs youth products, 13-year-old Luke Lovett who shone with a mature and cultured innings of 29 not out, hitting the winning runs with 21 overs to spare.

Having lost the toss Portland's opening bowler's Simon Bendall (4-37 from 12 overs) and 15-year-old Tom Dalkins (0-23 from 5) continually had the Martinstown batsmen struggling against accurate line and length.

Bendall will take the plaudits as he blew away the top order, but Dalkins keep the pressure on at the other end.

When 16-year-old Dylan Riley trapped the dangerous Crosswaite lbw for 42 for his first senior wicket the writing was on the wall, and it was left to the niggling line and length of veteran Stumpy Neven (2-18) to complete the rout.

Openers David Males (45no) and Neven (11) set about the 115 needed in steady fashion and look comfortable until Neven was adjudged leg before to the bowling of Crosswaite, who with his next ball trapped P Laming the same way.

However any ideas Martinstown had of victory were swept away as Lovett and Males dominated the visitors attack as Portland cruised to victory.

Skipper Jodie Locke praised all the youngsters and added: "Well done to everybody. Today the youngsters came of age and performed with maturity and style."

"But let's not discount the vets, David was once again in the runs, Simon produced bowling from the top draw and we can always count on Stumpy to produce a trick or two."

Division Six

BEAMINSTER 2ND 52 ALL OUT

LOST TO CHARLTON DOWN 53-2 BY 8 WICKETS

A WEAKENED Beaminster 2nds side were no match for Charlton Down who continued their winning start to the season with their third victory

The key to the win was a devastating spell of bowling by debutant left-arm spinner Callum Tucker with 5-11 in 6.5 overs proved too hot to handle.

Winning the toss and deciding to bowl on a damp, green wicket, the consistent line and length of the visitors opening at-

tack of Matt Stevens and Jack Eveleigh made it difficult for Beaminster openers Dave Penman and Dave Hall to score with only 17 runs conceded in the first 10 overs. Louis Parkin eventually dismissed Hall (9).

A change of bowling brought the spin twins of Callum Tucker and Sam Roles into the attack and they soon had the Beaminster batsmen in trouble, collapsing from 30-1 to 37-5 and then 52 all out.

Penman was eventually ousted by Tucker after 62 minutes at the crease for his six runs, well stumped by Cameron Lucas; Penman reporting the ball snorted past his nostrils on more than one occasion and was also hit in the ribs by the spinners.

Tucker and Roles (3-12) who bowled beautifully and turned the ball at right angles at times, continued to run through the Beaminster middle order assisted by a brilliant run out of Terry Field by Parkin.

It was fitting that Callum Tucker took the final wicket to complete his "fifer" when the patient batting of John Gurd finally came to an end as Parkin took a brilliant diving catch at gully.

Charlton Down batted cautiously in reply against Ade Phillips and Field (1-13) and it was the latter who had Roles caught feathering an edge down the leg side to the diving Penman behind the stumps with the score on 9-1.

A solid partnership between Luke Voss (11) and Jae Miller (28) nearly saw Charlton Down across the winning line.

But with the score on 43 it was , who had batted with great care, who pulled a shot straight up in the air from Sweetman where Will Aburrow held on to a steepler.

It was left to Cameron Lucas to sweep a glorious four to seal the eight wicket victory.

Beaminster who never let their heads go down and kept trying to the end, gave senior debuts to two youth team players, Jordan Nottley and Lewis Keenan, both of whom fielded well.

Charlton Down captain Tommy Tucker said: "It was great toss to win and batting was so difficult especially against the spin of Callum Tucker and Sam Roles.

"Callum bowled with great control and deserved his five wicket haul whilst Roles was unlucky not to have taken more wickets.

"Jae Miller used his experience to help the younger players to bat on a difficult wicket and through to victory."

Sunday Division Two

PORTLAND RT 212-6 BEAT OLD BLANDFORIDIANS 151 ALL OUT BY 61 RUNS

Sunday Division Three

SYMENE 170-6 BEAT WINTON 2ND 105 ALL OUT BY 65 RUNS

SYMENE coasted home in a game reduced to 32 overs.

Nick Skyrme (12) and Colin Lloyd (30) got the hosts off to a steady start.

But it was the 4th wicket partnership of 89 between Phil Hawkins (53) and Liam Toohill (46), with a quickfire 10 not out from Steve Prior that earned Symene maximum batting points.

Winton were soon in trouble in reply at 15-4 as Toohill 4-13 from 7 overs) ripped through the top order.

M Cleere (26) steadied the visitors for a while but the introduction of occasional bowler Mark Smith (3-9 from 5 overs) saw Symene to a comfortable win.

Sunday Division Four

CHESEBOURNE V PORTLAND RT 2ND (CANCELLED)

Readers Mid-Wessex League

Division One

BROADWINDSOR V QUEEN CAMEL

(MATCH POSTPONED AND REARRANGED FOR SEPTEMBER 8TH).

Giant killers Bridport win county cup

BRIDPORT Chess Club produced a giant-killing performance to win the 2013 Dorset Knockout Competition recently; the first bit of silverware in the club's history.

Having beaten much bigger clubs in Dorchester, Weymouth, Southbourne and Wimborne on the way, they demolished Ringwood by 4.5-1.5 in the final held at Dorchester.

Robert Wright who had a great season overall, lost



quickly to ICCF International Master Kenny Harman with an unsound opening gambit.

Bill Adaway then managed a draw with a tricky top board player Martin Clancy to leave them trailing 0.5-1.5.

However, Colin Winch, Julian May and Malcolm Stevens were on fire and crushed their opponents soon after, leaving Paul Brackner to finish off a long, complicated game under time pressure, to give Bridport the win.

BOWLS ROUND-UP

A good week for Bridport's men

IT was a good week for Bridport Bowls Club's men's teams which culminated in the A side getting the better of the B string in the South Dorset League, but not without a fight.

Away at Portland Borstal Officers in the men's County League Division One Bridport won two of the rinks in a 64-58 victory.

Top four were Ben Jones, Bob Taylor, Keith Gentry and Bill Payne who turned a 10-10 score at half distance into a 25-15 victory.

A score of five shots on the last end saw Barry Shortland, Keith Brooks, Brian Conisbee and Chris Thorne triumph 22-21.

In Division Two Bridport A travelled to Sherborne where they beat the home club's B string 60-49.

Roy Lidlington, Max Dare, Fred Pomeroy and Peter Scott always in control, winning 28-13, and Craig Bosher, Bob Seardon, Paul Tibble and Derek Hoskins not far behind with a 22-10 success.

At Priory Lane Bridport B took nine points off Weymouth & Melcombe A with a 65-56 success.

Sam Dunn, Mike Higman, Steve Bartlett and Alan Cowdrey staying ahead of their opponents to win 27-19 and David Hocking, Bill Fox, Norman Ludders and Allen Bird taking the last two ends to triumph 15-14.

After 12 ends Brian Pratt, Brian Herbert, David Eastman and Philip Wilson were 11 shots behind, but they rallied to win seven of the remaining nine ends to tie 23-23.

Bridport A played Bridport B in Division One of the South Dorset League and won 59-45, but they have to thank Chris Thorne's rink who triumphed 29-10 as the B team fours skipped by Clive Langdon and Alan Cowdrey won 17-15 and 18-15 respectively.

Bridport ladies entertained the Isle of Wight County Ladies tourists over seven rinks and beat their visitors 149-106.

LYME REGIS BC

with Paul Moffitt

ONLY the Lyme men managed a game in the leagues this week. Lyme A and B were both resting whilst the ladies' had their game rained off, this having an all too familiar ring

to last year's problems with the weather.

On the friendly front we won only one of our three games, and we lost all five rinks against a strong Ilminster side.

On the social side, the Club made a foray into the quiz scene hosting an open night with supper which attracted over 60 members of the Club and members of the public.

It proved to be a very popular evening and one which the Club are hoping to repeat again in September.

Special thanks must go to Ann and Trevor Allman for organising it; Sue Wood and all her helpers in the kitchen and, lastly, thanks to our quizmaster Richard Cridge.

The Club's next big event will be a 'Big Breakfast' on Bank Holiday Monday, May 27th, when everyone will be welcome.

Results:

West Dorset Men Div 1.

Lyme 60 DORCHESTER A'56

THIS one went down to the wire with Don Meylan's rink securing five shots on the last end thus enabling Paul Moffitt to put his last wood in his pocket. Probably the best

place! J Eaton, S Pomeroy, B Rattenbury, P Pomeroy 21-16; G Broom, P Eagles, K Hickman, P Moffitt 18-22; T Allman, E Skeemer, C Barber, D Meylan 21-18.

Friendlies

Lyme 77 BUDLEIGH SALERTON 67

Doris Read, P Ward, S Wood, C Barber 20-16; Dave Read, A Nabarro, P Weech, R Edwards 27-12; B Smith, T Payne, K Clissold 9-18 [3 shots being deducted]; C Clissold, S Applebee, A Weech, D Wood 21-21.

Lyme 72 MERRIOTT 87

Dave Read, S Wood, C Bell, R Hobbs 22-18; J Barnish, A Nabarro, G Cozens, B Parsons 19-25; B Smith, J Perry, A Brown, R Edwards 23-15; J Brown, V Cozens, B Collier, D Wood 8-29.

Lyme 85 ILMINSTER 114

Doris Read, G Cozens, J Moffitt, J Beadsley 12-24; B Turpin, S Wood, N Solomon, K Clissold 18-21; Dave Read, D Perry, D Courtenay-Smith, P Moffitt 16-24; C Clissold, J Perry, P Stephens, A Preece 16-18; C Bell, A Foster, D Wood, E Skeemer 23-27.

The Happy Warrior shows his potential

LIFE has been quiet in the Buckler yard of late but one horse who is keeping everyone's interest is **The Happy Warrior**.

The five-year-old had his second run over hurdles at Newton Abbot recently and finished a creditable fourth to Ferrell.

Bob Buckler has high hopes for the Nick Elliott owned bay gelding who he hopes will follow in the footsteps of his half brother Warlord, who was tragically lost at Wincanton.

"He ran very well as part of his education and will have one more run over hurdles this season.

"Warlord was one of the best horses I have ever trained, and The Happy Warrior is showing all the same qualities.

He is a very big horse and moves well with a superb temperament, and he should make up to be one of the most exciting chasers I've ever had, all going well, but he won't be rushed."

Another Elliott horse **Glenwood Present** on the other hand continues to work well at home but can't repeat the form on the course.

"He once again disappointed; this time in the 2½ mile Jockey Club Catering Handicap Hurdle at Wincanton recently.

Although one of his better performances he tripped on landing the last and fell.

"We will continue to work with him because he shows potential and see if we can work him out," said Buckler.

More juniors hooked on angling

MORE junior members appear to be coming hooked on fishing if the latest figures at West Bay Sea Angling Club are anything to go by.

The club's Junior League has seen a rise in popularity this year with entries in the mid teens, with the latest match attracting a near record turnout of 21 juniors that consisted of 17 members and four guests.

The club has not seen these kind of numbers since the mid 1990's and look forward to a busy year ahead.

Despite the high turn out for last Saturday's Junior League match catches were limited, with only five weighing in, but two very noteworthy fish were landed.

Connor Hallett took an early lead with a corkwing wrasse that was followed up by a legal-sized ballan wrasse of a respectable 391g, the biggest fish of the new junior season.

This put Connor in a comfortable lead but

after nearly losing his rod over the side, new member James Pegg was tussling with what turned out to be the largest wrasse caught on the junior matches of 819g; a fish that gave James an almost certain win.

Incredibly, shortly afterwards shouts were heard for the drop net once again and a very excitable James Lawrence was struggling with an even larger wrasse which, after successfully landing and weighing, turned out to be a Saturday Junior record ballan wrasse of 1328g (2lb 14¾oz).

Although the club record is over 7lb, fish of these sizes are unheard of on the East Pier competitions, so congratulations to both James'.

Only two flounders showed this week, with the biggest caught by Nathan McMaster.

This competition is a catch and release match and all fish were returned alive.

Next match takes place June 1st on the

East Pier, West Bay 12 noon -3 pm; all welcome.

Full results: 1st: James Lawrence (1328g legal weight), 2nd: James Pegg 838g (819g legal weight), 3rd: Connor Hallett 880g (391g legal weight), Heaviest flat fish: Nathan McMaster 45g flounder, Heaviest round fish: James Lawrence 1328g ballan wrasse (junior league record). Most fish: Connor Hallett 8, Smallest flounder: Grace Lawson 33g, Most unusual fish: James Lawrence 1328g ballan wrasse, Smallest fish: Connor Hallett 20g sea scorpion, Heaviest weever: James Pegg 19g, Wooden spoon: Aaron Chambers

Sponsors for the match were: Watch House Cafe, Kay Guppy, Richard 'Tiny' Daw, Style Tiles, Jason Salvador Swords, Maggie and Tony King, Lynn Mudford, Tim Fisher, Hugh Rathbone and Mike Hallett.

The junior section would like to thank all these people for their generous support.



■ RECORD CATCH: James Lawrence proudly shows off his ballan wrasse, a Junior League record

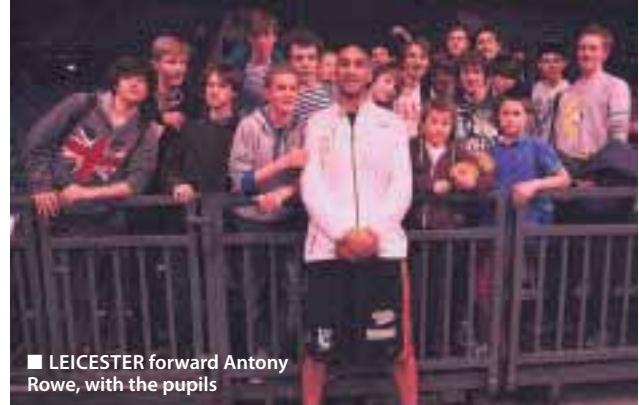
Basketball thriller for Colfox pupils

MEMBERS of The Sir John Colfox School basketball team had a chance to see what they have to do to become the best in the country when they travelled to Wembley Arena to watch the British Basketball League Play-Off Final between Newcastle and Leicester, in front of a sell-out crowd.

The pupils from Year 7 to Year 12 watched Newcastle recover from a poor start to close the gap at halftime.

However, they could not maintain the energy needed and the stronger Leicester side moved away again to win 68-57 to show why they had finished the season ten points ahead of their opposition.

PE coach Andy David said: "It was a fantastic day and one we hope to repeat next season."



■ LEICESTER forward Antony Rowe, with the pupils

The Edwards Charity Cup

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THIS season's Edwards Charity Cup sponsored by **View From Newspapers** has been dogged by bad weather, and it had another setback last week when the semi-final between Bridport 3rds and Lyme Regis had to be postponed because of a waterlogged pitch.

The cup's committee are keeping their fingers crossed that this will now be able to be played tomorrow (Thursday May 24th ko 7.45pm) with the winners meeting holders Beaminster in the final, next Tuesday May 28th (7.45pm).

This will almost certainly be the last chance for football supporters to get their fix of local football before the summer, so it is hoped a large crowd will attend to make it a special occasion.

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INSIDE: Local sport round-up

Foundation season a success

THE foundation of Dorchester RFC Under 15s Girls at the beginning of last September saw 20 girls start training with the goal of playing competitive rugby, something all achieved by the end of the season.

During the season the girls played four fixtures. Two were against Oaks, a well-established side with lots of experience; one where they combined with North Dorset, and the other with Sherborne Pinks.

This was always going to be a tough introduction to competitive rugby. Oaks won both games, but the steep learning curve saw the girls learn a lot and have their eyes opened to the world of competitive rugby. The girls pulled together, worked hard, kept their heads up and played with



■ STRONG FOUNDATION: Dorchester Girls U15s in action

guts and determination; crossing Oaks line twice to register their first tries in the first fixture.

Their third fixture was against Exeter Saracens, another well-established side. With the girls showing the same guts, determination and heart as before, they produced some great defensive rugby to ensure they would not be over-powered.

They managed to play some good front foot rugby with forwards and backs combining and working well together. However, the Saracens were too strong and organised, winning the fixture.

The final fixture was against Wells, a team also new to competitive rugby. Dorchester used all the lessons learned from their previous encounters and in a fantastic game of rugby got the victory they so richly deserved; running in seven tries with two conversions and conceding four.

DRFC would like to extend their thanks to all three clubs for the invitation and opportunity to play against them.

The whole squad were capable of winning the awards at the Presentation Day, but in the end the Sarah Elliot won the Player of the Year, with the Most Improved Player going to Amealia Clewett.

With good development made this season, DRFC want to continue to move forward with their girls' section. They will be looking to run two teams at U15 and U18 age groups next season, and will be looking to increase their squad size by recruiting shortly.



■ DORCHESTER 1st XI pictured at the Rec before their game with Ferndown Wayfarers. Back (l-r): Graham Belt (scorer), Sam Goodhew, Aaron Oliver, Matt Porter, Steve Gerety, Quenton Miller. Front (l-r): Shaun Little, James Dunham, Pete Moxham, Dan Belt (captain), Stuart Voss, Phil Morley.

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